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To, The Principal Secretary, Food Supply & Consumer Welfare Department, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar-751001.

Dear Sir,

Sub: Request for payment of TC and other incidental charges for KMS 2015-16 at the revised rates to the millers after completing delivery of CMR.

Most respectfully we would like to submit that most of the millers of coastal and other districts have not been able to get payment of TC and other incidentals at the revised rates for KMS 2015-16 due to delay in delivery of CMR for things beyond their control.

Your honour may kindly appreciate that there was unprecedented procurement especially in the entire coastal belt during KMS 2015-16 to accommodate the surplus paddy from the registered farmers which ultimately resulted in delay in milling of paddy and delivery of CMR. There was also serious problem of space for receiving CMR apart from quality problem in the newly introduced 580 gram New Gunny Bags which side tracked the much important initial momentum of CMR delivery.

Sir, there has been significant increase in the diesel prices and other inputs since the rate were revised. *Millers have been put to heavy revenue loss due to non-payment of bills at the revised rates as per decision taken at a much belated stage and that too after expiry of the relevant KMS*. This has adversely affected the efficiency and viability of the millers which is quite evident from the much lower paddy procurement during current Khariff season which is only about 61% compared to last year's Khariff procurement in the entire coastal belt consisting of Balasore, Bhadrak, Cuttack, Ganjam, Jagatsinghpur, Jajpur, Kendrapara, Khurda, Mayurbhanj, Nayagarh and Puri. Except Khurda, all other districts are much lagging behind in kharif procurement.

We therefore, most humbly request your honour to kindly consider allowing payment of TC and other incidental charges at the revised rates to all the millers who have completed delivery of CMR for KMS 2015-16. We assure Sir that in future, the millers will try to adhere to the timeline fixed by Government and will try to lift paddy to that limited extent only irrespective of target or availability of surplus paddy in the interest of compliance to the Government guidelines. Hope, this will receive your honour's sympathetic consideration.

Yours faithfully,

Copy to: The Managing Director, Oscsc Ltd.

Sd/-. (Santosh Kr. Agrawal), Chairman.

