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MOST URGENT

Dated 29th May, 2017.

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 who have completed 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 alleged delay in delivery of CMR which was 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 serious problem of space with OSCSC for receiving CMR from the millers and GOI was requested by our State Government for extension of time upto 31.12.2016 which was ultimately granted by GOI vide letter No.5(19)/2015-Py.I dated 1.12.2016 (Ref Fscw letter No.24105 dt.7.12.16).

Sir, there has been significant increase in the diesel prices and other inputs since the rates 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 mainly in the entire coastal belt.

In view of the above facts as well as *considering the extension of time till* 31.12.2016 by GOI, we most humbly request your honour for allowing payment of TC and other incidental charges at the revised rates communicated vide OSCSC Letter No.19205 Dt.8.11.16 to all the millers who have completed delivery of CMR for KMS 2015-16 irrespective of CMR delivered beyond 30-9-2016.

However, if payment at revised rates on the entire quantity is not possible, the following may at least be considered:-

- 1. <u>Transportation on Paddy</u>: Payment of TC on paddy may be released as per the revised rates on entire paddy *since the paddy lifting by millers was completed strictly within the time frame allowed by Government* for Khariff and Rabi paddy by incurring huge amount of transport charges.
- 2. <u>Handling Charges on Rice</u>: This may be paid at the revised rates *only on the quantity of CMR delivered within the GOI extended time of 31-12-16* while payment for the quantity of CMR delivered beyond 31-12-16 may be paid as per old rates i.e. rates communicated for KMS 2014-15.
- 3. <u>Custody & Maintenance Charges</u>: This may be paid on the average storage period of paddy subject to *minimum for 3 months flat and maximum for 4 months in respect of equivalent CMR delivered within 31-12-16*. Thereafter, only the minimum payment for 3 months may be paid on remaining paddy equivalent to CMR delivered beyond 31-12-16.
- 4. <u>Insurance Premium</u>: Similarly, the insurance premium may be borne by the miller and Corporation as per revised rates on 50:50 basis *except* for the quantity of paddy equivalent to CMR delivered beyond 31-12-16 for which full premium may be recovered from the miller.

Sir, we assure you that in future, the millers will try to adhere to the timeline fixed by Government and will extend their full co-operation in successfully implementation of Government Policy from time to time. Hope, this will receive your honour's sympathetic consideration.

Yours faithfully,

Copy to: The Managing Director, Oscsc Ltd.

(Santosh Kr. Agrawal), Chairman.

