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Dated 19th June, 2017.

To,
Shri Arun Jaitely,
Hon'ble Union Minister for Finance & Chairman of GST Council,
Government of India,
New Delhi.

Sir,

Sub: Request to consider 5% GST from 28% on "Rice Rubber Rolls" used for De-Husking of Paddy in Rice Milling Industry.

Most respectfully, we would like to submit that "Rice Rubber Rolls" are used by the Rice Milling Industry for de-husking of any quality of paddy irrespective of Common, Fine or Superfine variety. It is one of the major consumables being required on almost daily basis depending upon the capacity a Rice Mill.

Till now, rubber rolls were exempt from payment of excise duty and were classified under tariff heading 40169990 vide earlier Notification No.4/2006 dt.1.3.2006 as well as current Notification No.12/2012 dt.17.3.2012. We may mention here that *"Rice Rubber Rolls" are exclusively designed and manufactured for use in Rice Milling Industry and not used in any other industry. As such, it may be treated as part of rice mill machinery/consumables and either covered under chapter heading 8437 where GST rate is 5% OR in any other Chapter but with lower rate of 5%.*

In view of very negligible out put GST on essential food items like rice, the input tax due to higher taxation on various inputs, will remain unutilized and this will directly put adverse affect on the cost of rice used by the common man. Hope, you will be kind enough to look into the matter favorably.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Santosh', is written over a light blue rectangular stamp.

(Santosh Kr. Agrawal),
Chairman.

