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Points for discussions with Managing Director, OSCSC Ltd. during meeting on 14th October, 2014 at Bhubaneswar.

1. We welcome Government decision for *Cap Storage of Paddy* during KMS 2014-15 in major procuring districts on trial basis and assure our full co-operation.
2. In some districts like Angul, Sonepur, Kalahandi etc., the millers are unable to deliver CMR for want of sufficient space at RRCs. *Suitable instructions needs to be issued to accommodate local CMR on priority basis over stocks transported from other districts.* Arrangements may also be made for diverting delivery of ready stock to vacant RRCs of nearby districts as may be possible.
3. Emphasis on *purchase of only FAQ Paddy* by strict quality monitoring through random check by Oscsc with the help of QC cell of GOI. Millers will not execute agreement if they are *forced to accept and lift paddy without quality analysis on “As is where is” basis* being stipulated under Clause-25(iii) of the Agreement for KMS 2013-14.
4. To curb the menace of defaulting cases and the increased number of millers having carried over stock for consecutive years in almost every district, suitable policy needs to be formulated by *allowing participation in procurement only after completing delivery of carry over stock* or by restricting delivery of paddy in such other manner as your honour may think fit.
5. Creation of a *“Gunny Quality Complaint Redressal Cell” at Oscsc Head Office which may function independently with separate email Id for direct communication by affected miller without involving existing system or depending on district officials.* There is no end to the suffering of millers for years together and have lost all hope on the present system. A full fledged separate meeting may be called suitably where we can discuss and suggest certain ways to tackle this menace. This is a big issue since about more than *Rs.250 crores is spent annually by Oscsc in purchase of New Gunny Bags out of which 80% are estimated to be sub-standard.*

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6. **Allotment of target and delivery of paddy may be made strictly on the basis of earlier performance rather than installed capacity.** It is observed that some millers continuously fail to deliver CMR in time while millers in some districts are struggling to utilize milling capacity for want of sufficient paddy delivery.
7. **Non issue of Rice Delivery Acceptance Notes in time** by some western and other districts is seriously affecting sending of SMS by the millers. Issue of show cause notice to defaulting RRC in charge recently may help millers to some extent.
8. **Payment of Custody & Maintenance charges** may be restored to 4 months as was prevailing in earlier years. **Or else, it is to be paid on actual duration of storage without any maximum ceiling of 4 months.**
9. **Refund of insurance charges already recovered from millers** and cap on further recovery from millers. **There is widespread resentment amongst millers and they may not find it feasible to participate whole heartedly in the coming procurement season unless it is resolved.** Copy of our letter dt. 10.10.14 sent to GOI in this regard is enclosed herewith for ready reference.
10. **Revision of Transport Charges and other incidentals** for KMS 2014-15 as decided in the Weekly Review Meeting held on 30.9.14.
11. **Observance of a “pending claim settlement week”** during 1st week of November, 2014 or as may be convenient, for registration of old pending claims from custom millers by subscribing unique claim serial numbers. The same can be disposed/settled on merit basis during the 1st week of the subsequent month in a time bound manner by clubbing issues of identical nature like **Security refund, Refund of Holding Charges, Payment of TC, Payment of Cost of Gunny etc.** to facilitate quick disposal. This exercise may be carried out at least twice in a year depending on its success.
12. Request for convening a **meeting with miller representatives** for their views on certain issues **before finalization of operational guidelines and agreement for KMS 2014-15.**
13. Other matter, if any.

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(Santosh Kr. Agrawal),
Secretary.