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IMPORTANT MATTER.

Dated 2nd February, 2015.

To,
The Commissioner-cum-Secretary,
Food Supplies & Consumer Welfare Dept,
Government of Odisha,
Bhubaneswar-751001.

Dear Sir,

Sub: Request for Simplifying norms of Paddy Purchase under Levy Scheme.

Most respectfully, we would like to submit that most of the land is generally cultivated by the farmers who do not possess any land but are doing farming as "*Bhag Chasi*". They do not have any land holding of their own and *are deprived from participating in paddy procurement since there is practically no system in vogue to procure from any farmer who does not have a "ROR"*.

Your honour may kindly appreciate that *any paddy which comes to the market must have been produced by some XYZ farmer* and payment towards purchase of this paddy by the purchaser will ultimately go to the farmer directly or indirectly.

In view of this, we request your honour to *kindly consider allowing the millers to purchase paddy under Levy Scheme from the intending vendors on production of just a photo ID with Bank Pass Book details against payment by Account Payee Cheque or direct online payment*. Sir, this arrangement will not only allow the Rice Milling Industry to survive, but may also prove very effective in *combating the problem of distress sale by the marginal farmers as well as Bhag Chasi in general*. This practice is already continuing in West Bengal.

Yours faithfully,

Copy to: Hon'ble Minister, FS&CW Dept, Odisha.

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