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Points for discussion with Hon'ble Food Commissioner during Review Meeting

1. **Removal of newly introduced provision for imposing penalty of Rs.10,000/-** on miller in case a rice lot is subsequently found to be BRL at a belated stage in the RRC. **The miller is already under obligation to take back the lot if it is not found FAQ after stringent quality checks.**
2. **Gunny depreciation/usage charges: Clear instructions** on use of New and/or old gunny bags and payment of Usage charges **are still awaited from OSCSC Ltd.** We suggest that Corporation may supply gunny bags of his choice for packing of paddy and delivery of CMR in paddy released bags. **Alternatively**, millers may be allowed to use 4 pieces of once used old gunny bags for paddy as per earlier practice subject to reimbursement of cost @Rs.7/32 per pc as fixed by GOI.
3. **Revision of rates of Transport Charges:** Transportation charges for paddy and rice were revised during KMS 2015-16 for 2 years and are now due for revision for current KMS 2017-18. **A separate meeting may be taken up to settle the revised rates for transport and other incidentals.**
4. **Revision of rates of Mandi Labour charges:** The present rate of Rs.12.19 as fixed by GOI is quite insufficient to support the desired operations involved therein. Minimum piece rate wages has already been notified by Govt. of Odisha and fresh rate may be worked out after considering the same. **(It has been fixed at Rs.29.47 for the State of Punjab).**
5. **Clarification on applicability of GST:** As per recent Circular No.19/19/2017-GST, Custom Milling of paddy into rice has been made taxable. OSCSC may kindly issue suitable guidelines and norms for preparation and payment of bills on monthly basis to ensure proper compliance under GST. **The matter is already delayed and any further delay may attract penal provisions.**
6. **Hiring of godowns as per assessment of Storage Gap:** We understand that action has been taken for taking up 32 Nos. of storage godowns at different locations as decided in the PLSC meeting held recently on 16.11.17. **However, immediate hiring of local available godowns on adhoc basis may be considered pending construction and operation of such planned godowns** to ensure continuity in CMR delivery.

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7. Settlement of pending matters:

KMS 2015-16:

- (a) Release of TC on paddy at the revised rates on entire quantity of paddy equivalent to CMR delivered since lifting of paddy from the Mandi was completed within the period as stipulated by Government.
- (b) Release of rice handling charges at the revised rates on delivery of CMR to FCI within the GOI extended time line of 31.12.2016 as has been allowed in case of delivery at RRC.
- (c) Sharing the burden of Insurance premium in the ratio of 50:50 on paddy equivalent to CMR delivered within the GOI extended time line. The insurance policy was made by Oscsc and full insurance premium being recovered from the millers.
- (d) Release of gunny depreciation @Rs.23.43 as per Economic Cost Sheet of GOI instead of Rs.17/- paid by OSCSC Ltd.

KMS 2016-17:

- (e) Release of TC on paddy at the revised rates on entire quantity of paddy equivalent to CMR delivered since lifting of paddy from the Mandi was completed within the period as stipulated by Government.
- (f) Release of rice handling charges at the revised rates for delivery at both FCI and RRC beyond 30-9-17 as the delay is mostly attributed to non availability of storage space.
- (g) Sharing the burden of Insurance premium in the ratio of 50:50 on paddy equivalent to CMR delivered within the GOI extended time line. During KMS 2016-17, the insurance policy was made by the millers in favour of OSCSC and they needs to get reimbursement on 50:50 ratio from Corporation.
- (h) Release of gunny depreciation @Rs.27.54 as per Economic Cost Sheet of GOI instead of Rs.20/53 paid by OSCSC Ltd.

8. A suitable proceeding of today's meeting may kindly be prepared at FS&CW Department for reference and information of all.

9. Any other matter.

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(Santosh Kr. Agrawal),
Chairman.

