

ALL ODISHA RICE MILLERS ASSOCIATION

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Dated 26th November, 2018.

To,
The Collector and District Magistrate,
Chatrapur, Dist. Ganjam.

Sir,

Sub: Release of pending dues of Ganjam District Custom Millers.

Most respectfully, I would like to bring to your kind information that a meeting of the Rice Millers was organized by the Ganjam District Rice Millers Association at Boat Club, Tampara Lake, Chatrapur, Ganjam on Sunday 18th November, 2018 wherein Rice Millers from all over the Ganjam District participated in huge numbers. The undersigned was also present in the meeting along with fellow office bearers of Aorma and representatives from most of the districts of our State.

In course of interactions and discussions with the Ganjam District millers of various blocks, *we found that most of the millers were complaining about non-release of their dues in full for last three years i.e. 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 KMS by the District Civil Supply Office on some one or other pretext.* The pending dues amounts to crores and crores of rupees under various heads such as revised transport charges, custody & maintenance charges, Mandi handling charges on paddy, Rice handling charges on delivery of CMR and cost of New Gunnies supplied by the Millers to facilitate timely delivery of CMR when OSCSC could not supply adequate New Gunny Bags in time. *Such pendency of the dues of the Millers for years together can not be justified for any reason whatsoever.*

Sir, Ganjam district alone accounts for about 30% of the total number of millers of our State. Unfortunately, these mills are struggling for survival due to repeated natural calamities like “Cyclonic Storm Phailin” and they deserve special package and sympathetic consideration from the district administration.

I therefore, most humbly request your honour to kindly issue suitable instructions to District Manager, OSCSC Ltd, Chatrapur for release of dues of the millers on priority basis by conducting a special drive. *I would like to appraise your honour about certain facts and specific problems of the rice millers of Ganjam District and request you to kindly give me an appointment to meet your honour some time during the next week as may be convenient and oblige.*

Copy to: CSO, Chatrapur, Ganjam.

Yours faithfully,


(Santosh Kr. Agrawal),
Chairman.