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From

Shri Madhusudan Padhi, I.A.S.
Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt.

To

All Collectors.

Sub: **Supervision and monitoring Rabi paddy procurement.**

Ref:- This Department. Letter No.6058 dt.23.03.2015

Madam/Sir,

In continuance to this Department letter referred above, I am to say that steps by the district administration may be taken to ensure that the procurement operations are carried out smoothly and genuine farmers are able to dispose of their paddy at the Minimum Support Price.

While procurement operations are to be carried out as per the Food and Procurement Policy for KMS 2014-15, I would like to draw your attention to specific issues which need to be addressed prior to the commencement of Rabi Procurement operations.

- 1) As per decision of Government of India, Rabi paddy will be procured between 15.05.2015 to 30.06.2015. The DLPC meeting may be convened prior to commencement of procurement preferably by 25.04.2015.
- 2) Online Registration of Farmers is mandatory for Rabi paddy procurement. This work may be completed before commencement of procurement of Rabi paddy as per calendar circulated vide this Department letter No.6058 dt.23.03.2015.
- 3) Assessment may have been made along with the Deputy Director, Agriculture and Irrigation authorities regarding the anticipated paddy production in the district during Rabi and the surplus paddy which is to be procured.
- 4) Mill-wise analysis should be carried out regarding paddy given for custom milling, rice received back from the millers and the balance paddy available with them. In this regard instructions issued by MD, OSCSC Ltd. on eligibility of millers may be followed diligently.

- 5) The Millers taking paddy during Rabi should ensure that the paddy is stored properly under protective cover/CAP storage so that there is no damage of paddy during the rainy season.
- 6) Wherever milling capacity is inadequate in the district, Millers from nearby districts may be allowed to lift paddy from the district. In no case one miller can be allowed to participate in more than two districts. In this regard consent of MD, OSCSC must be taken for cross district milling.
- 7) Delivery of rice to FCI and Corporation should be monitored on regular basis by the District Collectors and any local problems should be addressed immediately.
- 8) It should be ensured that different State Agencies procure paddy as per the target given and as per the procedures laid down for procurement in the Food & Procurement Policy for KMS 2014-15 and guidelines issued by Government of India.
- 9) Specific Millers should be tagged to purchase centres/ market yards and they should be given the task of lifting paddy daily from the procurement centres. This will need daily coordination and hence there is a need for having Nodal officers for all procurement centres in the districts.
- 10) It should be ensured that required number of Polythene/ Tarpaulin/ CAP storage facilities are available at PACS/market yards where procurement will be carried out. Unlike Khariff Procurement, there will be frequent rains which can damage the paddy stocks lying at purchase centres.
- 11) It should be ensured that paddy stocks coming to market yards or purchase centres are lifted on the same day by the Millers. It is expected that monsoon may arrive in the third week of June, 2015. Hence, all steps should be taken to complete procurement of Rabi paddy before breaking of monsoon.
- 12) During the peak procurement period, the entire district machinery should be involved in supervision and monitoring of procurement operations.
- 13) Collectors shall appoint Nodal Officers for supervision of the paddy purchase centres.
- 14) To facilitate the coordination and sort out problems on a daily basis, a control room should be activated at the district level.
- 15) Collector shall assign duties to ADM/ PD, DRDA/ PA, ITDA/ Sub-Collectors/ Tehsildars/ Deputy Director, Agriculture/ Deputy Director, Horticulture/ DRCS/ ARCS/ District Agriculture officers and other officers to supervise paddy

procurement operations. They can be assigned blocks/sub-divisions or specific purchase centres.

You are requested to monitor and supervise the procurement operations personally to ensure that there is no distress sale of paddy in the district.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy forwarded to All RDCs for information and necessary action. It is requested that RDC may review the progress of Rabi paddy procurement in the districts in his Division.

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Memo No. 6554 / Date 30/3/2015 Deputy Secretary to Govt.

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Copy forwarded to all Civil Supplies Officers for information and necessary action.

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