GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FOOD SUPPLIES AND CONSUMER WELFARE DEPARTMENT

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From

V V Yadav, IAS, Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt.

To

The Collectors,

Angul, Balasore, Bhadrak, Cuttack, Dhenkanal, Gajapati, Ganjam, Jagatsinghpur, Jajpur, Kandhamal, Kendrapara, Keonjkhar, Khordha, Malkangiri, Mayurbhanj, Nayagarh, Puri, Rayagada and Sundargarh.

Sub.: Khariff paddy procurement operations.

Madam/Sir,

It is hereby clarified that the paddy procurement operations will continue till Government purchases the entire paddy from the farmers. As enshrined in the policy, Government is committed to procure the surplus paddy from the farmers, who are willing to sell the paddy to the Government as per the norms.

In order to facilitate the procurement of paddy from the farmers, the following actions are required at the district level.

- 1. All PACS must be directed that they must issue token to the farmers. The ARCS and other field functionaries must regularly visit mandis and strict action must be taken against the PACS if any irregularities are detected.
- 2. If any paddy comes to the market yard without token, the same must be confiscated with immediate effect.
- 3. The paddy must be brought to the mandis first and then only millers will lift it. If any instance comes to the notice that millers are directly purchasing paddy then those millers should be debarred from the procurement operations immediately.
- 4. The district squads must be on a continuous move to facilitate farmers in selling paddy to the Government and checking any irregularities being committed by millers/PACS.
- 5. All the authorised officers must visit mandis and mills regularly and share the details on Whats App by evening regarding their observations.

6. Since payment to the farmers is initiated once the purchase data is uploaded by the PACS. So, again, it is reiterated that if PACS fails to upload data by evening, the CSO should immediately send the squad to the PACs to verify the data.

This exercise need to be carried out diligently in the districts as the interest of the farmers is paramount and it is to be ensured that they do not resort to distress sale of paddy.

Yours faithfully,

Commissioner cum Secretary

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