

# ALL ODISHA RICE MILLERS ASSOCIATION

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## **Points for discussions with Commissioner-cum-Secretary, FS & CW Dept. during weekly review meeting at Bhubaneswar.**

1. ***Allowing willing millers to make excess delivery of OSCSC A/c CMR to FCI which will be subsequently adjusted in totality towards procurement of both Khariff and Rabi Paddy.*** Suitable clarification may be issued.
2. ***Allowing participation in Rabi Procurement*** to millers of coastal and other areas on delivery of CMR above the district average in view of late start as well as mainly Khariff procurement in these areas.
3. Creation of space at RRCs in Bhadrak district by ***movement of some surplus stock to nearby deficit districts*** like Kendrapara, Keonjhar, Balasore and Mayurbhanj ***which are being managed on CMR from other far away places involving long distance transportation.***
4. ***Delivery of CMR to FCI*** by Khurda district Millers at Jatni as per continued practice and ***issuance of adequate delivery programme of 30 lots per day by FCI at FSD, Ranital*** instead of only 15 lots at present even when sufficient space is available.
5. ***Norms for payment of current dues*** after delivery of 25%, 50% and 75% are not followed in spite of clear stipulation in the agreement. Clear instructions may be issued.
6. There is widespread ***confusion regarding payment of TC and re-certification of distance.*** Distance already approved earlier by Collector may be followed except for new purchase centers or RRCs. ***In future, certification of distance may be made part of procurement preparedness*** at the beginning of procurement season as a matter of policy to avoid delay in release of TC.
7. ***Release of transport charges on paddy lifted by miller from other district in earlier years*** may be made as per usual rates. Instead of keeping suspense over the rates, ***transparency needs to be maintained by defining the rates of transportation as soon as a miller is allowed to participate in other district*** to avoid any possible undue favor or loss to the Custom Miller.

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8. ***Non-reimbursement of cost of New Gunny Bags worth more than Rs.2.5 Crores to millers of Ganjam for KMS 2013-14 is a matter of concern.*** Instead of appreciating their efforts in speeding up rice delivery, they are being penalized for helping the Corporation ***when it was not able to supply gunny bags in time.***
9. ***Timely refund of old security deposit needs priority.*** Immediate steps may be taken by Oscsc for refund of all old security deposits of Rs.25,000/- as well as 1.5 lakhs for 2009-10 and earlier years. ***The pending 17 cases of Gajapati district for refund of Rs.25,000/- is a point to be noted where millers are still counting on endless hope.***
10. ***There is no response on the Settlement of old claims*** submitted at Head Office as well as respective district offices during the observance of ***“Pending Claim Settlement Week”*** in 2<sup>nd</sup> week of November, 2014 vide Oscsc Letter No.19994 Dt.30.10.2014. ***A sum up of all the claims may be made*** for proper follow up and time bound settlement.
11. The incidence of delivery of paddy to millers in excess of security deposit in most cases ***may be due to un-controlled, un-planned paddy arrival*** and also ***due to failure of the district administration in implementing “Cap Storage”*** in spite of Government sanction. With holding payment to millers for this reason does not appear to be reasonable.
12. After subjecting the millers to huge financial losses and mental agony, Trial Milling conducted recently in Odisha during KMS 2013-14 by IICPT, Thanjavur is nothing but proved an intentional futile exercise. ***Now IICPT wants Re-Trial Milling*** as the earlier paddy was not FAQ. ***The point is that what was the compulsion on the part of the Specialized Trial Milling Team to carry on the trial milling if the paddy was not found to be of FAQ ?*** Trial Milling was done after selecting best paddy by the team itself from the available stock in the mill. After all, whose paddy stock the millers were holding and who is responsible for supplying such paddy is matter to be investigated. The team may be requested to forward the paddy quality analysis report to our State Government as well as to our Association.
13. Any other matter.

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(Santosh Kr. Agrawal),  
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