

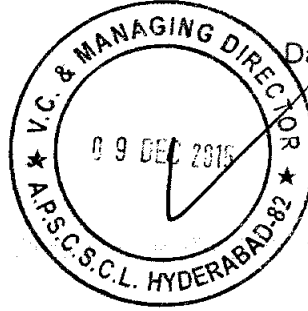
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Government of India

Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution  
Department of Food & Public Distribution

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated: the 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2015



To,  
The Director General,  
DGS&D,  
Jeevan Tara Building,  
5, Sansad Marg,  
New Delhi

**Subject : Temporary relaxation of BIS License in supply of jute bags through DGS&D - regarding**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Jute Commissioner of India's letter No. Jute (T)-6/1/178/2015 dated 20.11.2015 in which request has been made to allow temporary exemption of the provision for mandatory BIS License in supply of jute bags through DGS&D from December, 2015 for a period of two months or till such a time a substantial number of jute mills acquiring necessary BIS License, whichever is earlier. It has also been informed that all jute mills were advised to obtain licenses from BIS in August, 2015 for manufacturing of 580 gms 50 kg capacity jute bags (IS 16186 : 2014) w.e.f. 1.12.2015 as per Jute commissioner of India's circular dated 13.11.2015 and no orders would be issued for manufacturing and supplying of existing 665 gms jute bags. It has also been informed that till 20.11.2015, except 18 jute mills, other mills could not obtain licenses from BIS due to reported constraints of BIS, Kolkata.

2. The matter has been examined in the Ministry and it has been noticed that the Notification issued by Jute Commissioner for supply of 580 gms of jute bags w.e.f. 1.12.2015 by all jute mills is as per decision taken during last review meeting for supply plan of jute bags held by this Department being economical and of superior quality. Based on the recommendations by Jute Commissioner of India, it has been decided by this Department to allow temporary exemption of the provision of mandatory BIS license to be obtained by jute mills for supply of 580 gms jute bags through DGS&D from December'2015 for a period of two months i.e. 31.1.2016 to enable those jute mills to acquire BIS license at the earliest. This exemption is also aimed to ensure uninterrupted supply of 580 gms 50 kg capacity jute bags for ongoing KMS 2015-16 by all jute mills after 1.12.2015 onwards for a period of two months.

3. The supply order of these 580 gms jute bags will be issued by DGS&D without insisting BIS License upto period mentioned above and on the basis of PCOs issued by Jute Commissioner of India. Jute Commissioner is requested to closely associate with DGS&D for sorting out any issue related to above mentioned relaxation under intimation to this office.

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4. All the State Governments and their agencies/FCI are requested to place their indents as per revised specification for use of 580 gms 50 kg capacity B.Twill bags (IS 16186 : 2014) for the requirement of jute bags after 1.12.2015 as per these orders.

Yours sincerely,



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2. CMD, FCI, New Delhi
3. DG, DGS&D, Kolkata
4. DG, BIS, New Delhi
5. Jute Commissioner of India, Kolkata
6. The Secretary (Food),  
Government of Assam, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat,  
Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra,  
Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh,  
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