

**DEPARTMENT OF FOOD SUPPLIES AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS
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Dated: 29/06/2016

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15TH JUNE, 2016 AT 03.00 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOOD SUPPLIES UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE COMMISSIONER (F&S) WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF DELHI SARKARI RATION DEALERS SANGH-DELHI (DSRDS-DELHI).

A meeting was held on 15.06.2016 at 03.30 PM in the Conference Room of the Department of Food Supplies under the chairmanship of the Commissioner (F&S) with representatives of the Delhi Sarkari Ration Dealers Sangh – Delhi.

The list of participants is enclosed.

In the meeting, following points were discussed:-

(1) Margin Money Enhancement

The representatives of DSRDS-Delhi requested to consider enhancement of Margin Money. In this regard Commissioner (F&S) informed that matter is already under consideration with the Government.

(2) Enhancement of Margin Money w.e.f. 01.09.2013

Margin money of FPS dealers was enhanced with effect from September 2014 to Rs. 70/- per quintal from Rs. 35/- per quintal. Delhi Sarkari Ration Dealers Sangh- Delhi (DSRDS-Delhi) demanded to implement this enhancement w.e.f. September 2013 and accordingly asked to pay dues as NFS Act was implemented in Delhi w.e.f. September 2013 and State Governments are getting assistance from the Govt. of India since then. Department informed that the proposal to enhance Margin Money retrospectively has not been approved by the Hon'ble LG. CFS assured representatives of DSRDS-Delhi that matter will be reviewed.



(3) **Rationalization of allocation of FPS**

At present rationalization of allocation among FPSs is based on ration card count basis, but allocation is being made on member count basis under NFSA. The representatives of DSRDS-Delhi demanded that rationalization of the allocation of FPS should be changed to beneficiary basis instead of card count basis so that allocation of each FPS of a circle can be rationalised. The CFS assured that the matter would be discussed with the Zonal ACs and then a decision would be taken accordingly.

(4) **Renewal of FPS online**

The representatives of DSRDS-Delhi stated that online renewal of the FPS has not been made functional. The Sr. System Analyst informed that Module for online renewal of the FPS has been prepared and is ready. It was further informed that as per the report of the NIC about 30% FPS owners have not submitted their Aadhar Number which is mandatory and is the only for the delay in implementation of online renewal of the FPS . The CFS directed the IT branch to make operational the module immediately with the mandate that Aadhar would be compulsory for online renewal of FPS. The FPS owners who have submitted their Aadhar earlier should not be penalized due to non submission of Aadhar number by the few others.

(5) **Admissible shortage at the time of distribution**

The representatives of DSRDS-Delhi submitted a copy of the Circular dated 24th February, 1966 in respect of norms for admissible shortages in retail distribution of SFAs by the FPSs. As per the said Circular, 500 grams in case of wheat & rice and 1 kg/1000 grams of sugar per quintal was prescribed as admissible shortage at the time of distributions of SFAs. They requested to upload the above circular on the official website for information of all concerned.

The Department informed that as per Delhi Specified Food Articles Regulation and Distribution Order 1981 and order issued under the EC Act, there is no provision for allowing admissible shortage of SFAs. As the distribution of SFAs under NFS is done by FCI on the basis of card counts/ member counts, the quantity of shortage can not be managed by the Department.



The Commissioner (F&S) assured to get examined the circular submitted by the representatives of DSRDS-Delhi.

(6) **Late/Non Supply of Sugar**

The representatives of DSRDS-Delhi informed that supply of sugar is being done very late by the DSCSC Ltd. It was informed that supply of sugar for the month of May was made on 13th June which cannot be distributed through PoS machines. They also suggested that allocation of sugar less than 1 quintal should not be made to any FPS.

The Commissioner (F&S) directed DSCSC Ltd. to ensure timely supply of sugar on FPS giving priority to the PoS enabled shops. All the Zonal ACs has been directed to link-delink the cards of AAY & PRS category to FPS so that a minimum allocation of one quintal may be ensured to any FPS.

(7) **Short supply of SFAs at time of delivery through transport contractor (T.C.)**

The Commissioner (F&S) directed DSCSC Ltd. to look into the matter and to take stern action against transport contractor involved in short supply of SFAs at the time delivery.

In addition to above agenda points, the following were also discussed:

(8) The representatives of DSRDS-Delhi requested for Payment to the Axis Bank through ECS towards cost of SFAs including sugar was in general agreed to by the Commissioner (F&S) and Additional Commissioner (F&S) on a condition that each FPS holder having account with the Axis Bank will have to give a mandate to the bank that the cost of the allocated quantities be directly debited to the account of the FPS by 5th or the last date declared by the department for payment against monthly allocations.

- A) The representatives of DSRDS-Delhi requested to provide a helpline number to FPS holder for the purposes of filing any complaints on issues of delivery of SFAs. The Commissioner (F&S) directed DSCSC LTD to make available one telephone number/helpline.
- B) The representatives of DSRDS-Delhi requested to hold meeting on regular basis. The Commissioner (F&S) assured that in future meetings will be held once in 45 days.



The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.



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Copy to:-

1. PS to CFS
2. Spl. Commissioner, F&S
3. Sr. GM, DSCSC
4. Addl. Commissioner, F&S
5. Asstt. Commissioner, HQ
6. All Zonal ACs, F&S
7. President, Delhi Sarkari Rasan Dealers Sangh, Delhi
8. Sr. SA, IT