No.7-1/2017-S&I Government of India Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution Department of Foc 1 & Public Distribution ** ****

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi Dated. 2^{Not}March, 2017

To,

Sub: Uniform Specifications of wheat & Barley for the Rabi Marketing Season (RMS) 2017-18.

Sir,

The Uniform Specifications decided by the Government for procurement of Wheat and Barley stocks for the Central Pool during Rabi Marketing Season 2017-18 are forwarded herewith.

It is requested that the procurement of Wheat & Barley stocks by all procuring agencies be ensured strictly in accordance with these specifications. It is also requested that wide publicity of the Uniform $S_{\mu\nu}$ cifications and Minimum Support Price (WSP) be made among the farmers in order to ensure that the farmer get the due price for their produce and rejection of the stocks is avoided. The farmers may also be advised to offer only dry and clean stocks.

Receipts of this communication may pleased be acknowledged.

Encl: as above.

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- 1. The Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Food Corporation of India (FCI), New Delhi.
- 2. Executive Director (Commercial)/Executive Director (QC), FCI HQ, New Delhi.
- 3. General Manager (QC)/GM (Marketing & Procurement), FCI, HQ, New Delhi.
- 4. All Executive Director (Zones), FCl.
- 5. Managing Director, CWC, New Delhi.
- 6. The Secretary, Department of Agri. & Ccop, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- Sr. PPS to Secretary (F&PD)/PPS to AS&FA/JS (P&FCI)/JS (Impex, SRA & EOP)/ JS (Stg.)/JS (BP&PD).
- 8. Director (P)/Director (FCI)/Director (PD)/Director (Finance)/Director (Mov.)/DC (S&R).
- 9. All QCC/IGMRI offices.

10. AD (QC)

- 11. US (Py. I, II & IV)/US (FC A/cs).
- 12. Director (Technical), NIC with the request to put the information in the Ministry's website.

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UNIFORM SPECIFICATION FOR INDIAN WHEAT OF ALL VARIETIES FOR RABI MARKETING SEASON 2017-2018

Wheat shall:

- a) be the dried mature grains of <u>Triti um vulgare</u>, <u>T. compactum</u>, <u>T. sphaerococcum</u>, <u>T. durum</u>, <u>T. aestivum</u> and <u>T. dicoccum</u>.
- b) have natural size, shape, colour and lustre.
- c) be sweet, clean, wholesome and free from obnoxious smell, discolouration, admixture of deleterious substances including toxic weed seeds and all other impurities except to the extent indicated in the schedule below.
- d) be in sound merchantable condition.

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- e) not have any admixture of <u>Argemone</u> <u>mexicana</u> and <u>Lathyrus</u> sativus (khesari) in any form, colouring matter and any obnoxious, deleterious and toxic material.
- f) Conform to Food Safety and Standards Act/ Rules (formerly PFA).

Schedule showing the maximum permissible limits of different refractions in Fair Average Quality of Wheat.

roreign Matter %	Other food grains %	Damaged grains %	Slightly damaged grains %	Shrivelled & Broken grains %
0.75	2.00	2.00	4.00	6.00

NOTE:

- 1. Moisture in excess of 12% and upto 14% will be discounted at full value. Stocks containing moisture in excess of 14% are to be rejected.
- 2. Within the overall limit specified for foreign matter, the poisonous weed seeds shall not exceed 0.4% of which Dhatura and Akra (Vicia species) shall not be more than 0.025% and 0.2% by weight respectively.
- 3. Kernels with glumes will not be treated as unsound grains during physical analysis, the glumes will be removed and treated as organic foreign matter.
- 4. Within the overall limit specified for damaged grains, ergot affected grains shall not exceed 0.05 %.
- 5. In case of stocks having living infestation, a cut at the rate of Rupee two per quintal may be charged as furnigation charges.

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6. For weevilled grains determined by count, stocks containing weevilled grains in excess of 1% will be rejected. The rate of cut for weevilled grains will be @ Rs.2 per quintal.

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Method of Analysis

As given in Bureau of Indian Standard No. IS. 4333 (Part I and II) 1967 and as amended from time to time except for weevilled grains which are to be determined by count method.

DEFINITIONS OF REFRACTIONS:

As contained in BIS Specifications No 2813-1995 and as amended from time to time.

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Method of Analysis

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