

Circular No. 5

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All Rice Licence Holders

## LICENCE FOR WHOLESALE DEALING IN RICE

1. We would like to draw your attention to Section 4 of The Price Control (Rice) Order 1990. Under this section, no person shall carry on any wholesale dealing in rice (of all descriptions) unless he has a valid licence issued by the Price Controller or a Deputy Price Controller or an Assistant Price Controller.
2. A licence is issued to a business entity based on its Unique Entity Number (UEN). Each business entity which deals with wholesaling of rice shall hold a valid licence. The licence issued to a business entity does not provide legal authorisation to any of its subsidiary, affiliate or associated company to carry on wholesale dealing in rice. A separate wholesale license should be obtained for such subsidiary, affiliate or associated company if it is also involved in wholesale dealings in rice.
3. Failure to obtain a valid licence before commencement of wholesale dealings in rice is an offence punishable under Section 16 of the Price Control Act, Chapter 244.
4. All current rice licence holders are urged to review the necessity for application of rice wholesale licence in their business hierarchies.
5. A grace period of 2 months from the date of this circular is given for the application of such wholesale licenses. If a valid license is obtained within the grace period, no action will be taken against any existing rice license holder for retrospective failure to obtain a valid wholesale license before commencement of rice wholesaling activities.
6. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



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