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### PART I: SECTION (I) — GENERAL

#### **Government Notifications**

Direction No. 79

#### CONSUMER AFFAIRS AUTHORITY ACT, No. 09 OF 2003

#### Special Direction under Section 10(1)(b)(ii)

ACTING under the powers vested in it by Section 10(1)(b)(ii) of the Consumer Affairs Authority Act No. 09 of 2003, the Consumer Affairs Authority directs that no rice producer, rice miller, paddy and/or rice collector, store owner, distributor or paddy and/or rice whole seller, who has in his possession, custody or under his control any paddy and/or rice in any warehouses, silos, stores, containers and any other place unless such warehouse, silo, store, container and any other place is registered with the Consumer Affairs Authority.

Further, the Consumer Affairs Authority directs that no rice producer, rice miller, paddy and/or rice collector, store owner, distributor or paddy and/or rice whole seller shall keep paddy and/or rice under his possession without being registered with the Consumer Affairs Authority and shall forthwith furnish information on demand to the Consumer Affairs Authority on the stock of paddy and/or rice in bulk or in any other form in such warehouse, silo, store, container and any other place.

The Consumer Affairs Authority directs all existing rice producers, rice millers, paddy and/or rice collectors, store owners, distributors or paddy and/or rice whole sellers shall register within 07 days of this Direction and shall furnish information forthwith on the stock of paddy and/or rice in their possession in bulk or any other form.



This direction shall not apply to paddy cultivators in respect of their paddy harvest from their cultivation.

This Direction shall come into effect from 11th June 2021.

By Order of the Consumer Affairs Authority,

Maj. Gen. SHANTHA DISSANAYAKE (Retd.), Chairman

Colombo, 11th June, 2021