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## CIRCULAR

Sub:- 2023-24 crop season— Allowing shifting of barns from NBS region to other soil regions in Andhra Pradesh— Reg.

Ref:- 1. Letter No.9/11/2016-EP (Agri.III), dated 24.11.2023 of Sri Sandeep Verma, Under Secretary, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Commerce, Government of India, New Delhi.

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With reference to the subject cited, all the Auction Superintendents are hereby informed that the Government of India vide letter dated 24.11.2023 permitted the Board for allowing shifting of barns from NBS region to other soil regions in Andhra Pradesh for current 2023-24 crop season.

In view of the above, the following guidelines / instructions are issued to all the Auction Superintendents in Andhra Pradesh to allow shifting of licensed barns from NBS region to other soil regions in Andhra Pradesh during 2023-24 crop season.

- 1.All the barns of NBS region which are eligible for registration as per the criteria laid down for registration of growers for 2023-24 crop season/ already registered are eligible for shifting. The unfit/no structure barns having break-in registration and eligible for grant of registration on repair of the barns as per criteria may also be allowed for shifting since the old licensed barn is to be dismantled to the ground level under shifting.
- 2. The shifting of licensed barns may be allowed against construction of new barns or regularization of unauthorized barns.
- 3. Part shifting of a licensed / registered barn leaving the rest of the share to barn owner is not allowed. However, purchasing a barn for shifting jointly by 2 or 3 eligible growers is allowed.
- 4. The growers are allowed to shift their eligible barns from NBS to other soil regions in Andhra Pradesh in 1:1 ratio on their own (self shifting) or by sale to the intending growers.
- 5. The grower who is intending to obtain transfer of the barn on to his name which was purchased from NBS region shall file the following through the original license holder at Devarapally platform enclosing therewith the registration fee, in the form of a DD drawn in favor of Auction Superintendent to where he is intending to shift the barn after transfer.
  - a) The Application for license for construction of barn in Form-23 along with a fee of Rs.25/-(Rule 34 L).
  - b) The Application for registration as grower of Virginia tobacco for 2023-24 in Form-I and Form 25 along with registration fees.

- 6. The seller shall submit an application for permission for shifting along with sale deed, no objection certificate from family members, no dues certificate from bank, undertaking, TGPB in respect of the sold barn in original and all other documents as required for forwarding the same to the Auction Platform to where the barn is proposed to be shifted.
- 7. The barn on shifting/transfer will be allotted a quota of 2094 kg of NBS region only for current 2023-24 crop season irrespective of soil region where the barn was shifted/ transferred. However, in the coming 2024-25 crop season in Andhra Pradesh, the barns shifted from NBS Region to other Regions will be allotted a quota of soil region to where the barn was shifted / transferred.
- 8. Barns should not be permitted for shifting to new villages or new areas/villages of low-lying areas and saline areas and known dry areas which produce inferior styles/woody styles.
- 9. The Auction Superintendent, Devarapalli is permitted to receive the applications from growers for shifting of licensed barns from NBS region to other soil regions in Andhra Pradesh during 2023-24 crop season up to 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. The proposals on shifting of barns from NBS to any other region jurisdiction i.e., NLS, SLS and SBS shall be referred to Head Office by the Auction Superintendent, Devarapalli through the Regional Manager, Rajahmundry for necessary approvals.
- 10.Barns black listed by the Board are not permitted for shifting.
- 11. The barn at the old place shall be demolished to the ground level as a general rule. Any requests for making the barns dysfunctional shall be considered on the merits of each case.
- 12. Necessary endorsements have to be made in the Barn Enumeration Register.
- 13. The entire process of shifting i.e., dismantling of barn at old place, construction of new barn at new place or regularization of unauthorized barns and accord of registration to the purchaser grower shall be completed by 31.05.2024.
- 14. The Auction Superintendent, Devarapalli shall display the list of eligible barns for sale under shifting / transfer in the Notice Board.
- 15.The Regional manager, Rajahmundry and the Auction Superintendent, Devarapalli shall personally monitor the shifting applications received from the growers and take action for speedy disposal of the same without giving room for any complaints.
- 16. The field staff shall be warned that they should not involve in shifting transactions between growers and any involvement will be viewed seriously.
- 17.All the Auction Superintendents are also requested to take all necessary steps against construction of unauthorized barns and to prevent excess/unauthorized production of tobacco.
- 18. The details of the shifting allowed are to be submitted to Head Office at monthly intervals.

This is issued with the approval of Executive Director vide orders dated 01.12.2023.

(M. Krishna Sri) 1/12/23 Manager (Production)

Copy to: All the Regional Managers and Auction Superintendents in Andhra Pradesh