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Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
Department of Food and Public Distribution
(Directorate of Sugar & Vegetable Oils)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

Dated: 08 January, 2024

To,

CEOs/MDs of all Sugar Mills.

Subject :- Compliance of BIS standards in respect of packaging material i.e. Jute and HDPE bags for packing of sugar.

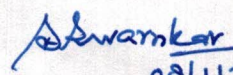
Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Directorate's letter dated 21.12.2023, regarding compliance of mandatory packaging of 20% of the total production of Sugar in the jute packaging material. It has come to notice that some sugar mills are not using the packaging materials i.e. Jute bags as well as HDPE bags, for packing of sugar, as per the BIS standards which is in contravention of the provisions of Jute Bags (Quality Control) Order, 2022 and High Density Polyethylene and Polypropylene woven sacks for packaging or filling (quality control) Order, 2020.

2. Apart from the above, it has also been observed that some sugar mills placed the orders for procurement of non- BIS standardized bags for packing of sugar for the current sugar season 2023-24 which is also in violation of the above said orders.

3. In view of the above, all the sugar mills are hereby directed to use Jute bags and HDPE bags for packing of sugar, conforming the BIS standards only failing which strict action will be taken under the prevailing law.

Yours faithfully,


08/11/2024

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1. Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (Sugar and Sugarcane Development) /Cooperation of sugar producing States.
2. Cane Commissioners of sugar producing States.
3. ISMA/NFSCF with the request to advise their member sugar mills for strict compliance.