

**REMOVAL OF (LICENSING REQUIREMENTS,
STOCK LIMITS & MOVEMENT
RESTRICTIONS) ON SPECIFIED FOODSTUFFS
ORDER, 2002**

(Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec.3 (i) dt. 15.2.02)

AMENDMENTS MADE TO THE ORDER:-

1. G.S.R. 490 (E)	Dt. 16-06-03
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3. S.O. 297 (E)	Dt. 27-02-07
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**MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC
DISTRIBUTION
(Department of Consumer Affairs)**

ORDER

New Delhi, the 15th February, 2002

G.S.R. 104(E).- Whereas the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary and expedient to do so for securing the availability of commodities specified in the Order at fair prices throughout the country .

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order:-

1. Short Title, Extent and Commencement .-

- (a) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002.
- (b) It extends to all the States and Union Territories of India.
- (c) It shall come into force after thirty days form the date of publication in the Official Gazette.

***¹[2. Definitions.- "dealer" means any person engaged in the business of purchase, movement, sale, supply, . distribution or storage for sale of any of the commodities specified in clause 3 whether as a wholesaler or retailer or producer or manufacturer or exporter or importer and whether or not in conjunction with any other business and includes his representative or agent but does not include a producer or manufacturer or importer or exporter of sugar]**

3. With the coming into effect of this Order any dealer may freely buy, stock, sell, transport, distribute, dispose, acquire, use or consume any quantity of wheat, paddy/rice, coarse grains, sugar, edible oilseeds, *¹[edible oils, pulses, gur, wheat products (namely maida, rava, suji, atta, resultant atta and bran) and hydrogenated vegetable oil or vanaspati] and shall not require a permit or license therefor under any order issued under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955.

Comments

With a view to check rising prices of pulses, sugar, oil etc. among other measures, the Central Government has made number of amendments to this order by keeping in abeyance for limited periods certain provisions of this Order. This enabled the State Governments to revive their old orders or to issue new orders relating to stock limits etc. of these commodities. However inter-state movement, export/import of these commodities etc. have been kept out of purview of controls by the State Governments. Similar provisions have now been made by adding Clause 7 to this Order on 30.3.11. Please see Clause 7 ahead.

These amendments have been made for limited periods & the term of most of these amendments has expired. The provisions relating to pulses, edible oils & edible oilseeds made vide S.O. 2320 dt. 27.09.12 are to remain in force up to 30.09.13. For ready reference, all the 25 amending orders have been produced at the end of this Order.

4. The provisions of this Order shall take effect notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Order made by a State Government before the commencement of this Order except as respects anything done, or omitted to be done, thereunder before such commencement.

5. Issue of any order by the State Government under powers delegated in GSR 452(E) dated the 25th October, 1972 issued by the Government of India in the then Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Food) and GSR 800 dated the 9th June, 1978 issued by the Government of India in the then Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation (Department of Food) for regulating by licenses, permit or otherwise, the storage, transport, distribution, disposal, acquisition, use or consumption of any of the commodities specified in clause 3 shall require the prior concurrence of the Central Government.

6. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the operation of the Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2001 issued by the Central Government and orders of the State Government issued in pursuance thereof.

²¹[[7. (1) Except clauses 5 and 6, the provisions of this Order shall not apply to-

^{*25}[(i) pulses, edible oils and edible oil seeds for a period up to 30th September, 2013,]

^{*22}[(ii) sugar for a period up to 30th November, 2011], and

^{*24}[(iii) paddy and rice for a period of one year with effect from 1st December 2011 upto 30th November, 2012 in respect of the States of Andhra Pradesh, National Capital Territory of Delhi, Manipur, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Jharkhand and Union territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands as per their specific request,]

in respect of the purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale of these commodities:

Provided that nothing in this clause shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of these commodities to places outside the State nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided further that the Central Government or the State Government may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stocks of these commodities and stocks retained by them.

(2) All other provisions of this Order shall continue to remain in force even during the period specified in sub-clause ^{*22}[(1)].

Explanation.- If a wholesaler or retailer or dealer is able to demonstrate that part of his stocks in respect of pulses, paddy, rice, edible oils and edible oilseeds

are sourced from imports, then, they shall be excluded for the purpose of calculation of stock limits.]]

COMMENTS

(1) The above clause 7 has been added vide amending Order dt. 30.3.2011. Changes in items No. (i), (ii) & (iii) of sub-clause (1) have been made vide amending orders dt. 27.9.2011, 28.10.2011, 29.11.2011 and 27.9.2012.

(2) Vide amending order No. G.S.R. 490(E) dt. 16.6.03, clause 7 was also previously added to this order. The same read as under:-

"7. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the operation of the levy orders issued by the State Governments for the purpose of procurement of rice as levy from the millers or dealers of paddy or rice in pursuance of the powers delegated to the State Governments by the Central Government under section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955."

(3) Please see various amending orders at the end of this Order.

[F. No.10/1/2002-ECR&E]
S. NAUTIYAL, Addl. Secy.

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AMENDING ORDERS ISSUED BY CENTRAL GOVERNMENT:-

MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(Department of Consumer Affairs)

ORDER

(1) **New Delhi, the 16th June, 2003**

G.S.R. 490(E),- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order to amend the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Amendment) Order, 2003.

(2) It shall come into force on the expiry of thirty days form the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002(herein referred to as the said Order), for clause 2, the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

"2. **Definitions**.- "dealer" means any person engaged in the business of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale of any of the commodities specified in clause 3 whether as a wholesaler or retailer or producer or manufacturer or exporter or importer and whether or not in conjunction with

any other business and includes his representative or agent but does not include a producer or manufacturer or importer or exporter of sugar"

3. In clause 3 of the said Order, for the words "and edible oils" the following shall be substituted, namely:-

" , edible oils, pulses, gur, wheat products (namely maida, rava, suji, atta, resultant atta and bran) and hydrogenated vegetable oil or vanaspati."

4. In the said Order, after clause 6 the following clause shall be added, namely:-

"7. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the operation of the levy orders issued by the State Government for the purpose of procurement of rice as levy from the millers or dealers of paddy or rice in pursuance of the powers delegated to the State Governments by the Central Government under section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955."

[F. No.10/1/2002-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(i), Dt. 16.06.2003]

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(2) **New Delhi, the 29th August, 2006**

S.O. 1373(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1995), the Central Government here by makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movements Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. Short title, extent and commencement

(1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limit, and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuff (Amendment) Order, 2006.

(2) it shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. The words or expressions made in respect of purchase, movement, sales, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodities namely wheat and pulses for a period of six months from the date of issue of this Order or further order, whichever is earlier.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of wheat and pulses (whole or split) to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided that the Central of State Government may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stock of these commodities, and stocks retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 29.08.2006]

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(3) **New Delhi, the 27th February, 2007**

S.O. 297(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Sec.3 of the Essential Commodities Act 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. Short title, extent and commencement.- (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Amendment) Order, 2007.

(2) It shall come into force on and from the first day of March, 2007.

2. The words and expressions made in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodities, namely wheat and pulses for a period of six months from the date of commencement of this order.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of wheat and pulses (whole or split) to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stocks of these commodities, and stocks retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2006.-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 27.02.2007]

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(4) **New Delhi, the 31st August, 2007**

S.O. 1488(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. Short title, extent and commencement -

(i). This order may be called the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Second Amendment) Order, 2007.

(ii). It shall come into force on and from the first day of September, 2007.

2. The words and expressions made in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs

Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodities, namely, wheat and pulses for a period of six months from the date of commencement of this Order.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of wheat and pulses (whole or split) to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipt of stocks of these commodities, and stocks retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR &E]

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(5) **New Delhi, the 28th February, 2008**

S.O. 400(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely :-

1. **Short title, extent and commencement.**- (i) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Amendment) Order, 2008.

(ii) It shall come into force on and from the first day of March, 2008.

2. The words and expressions made in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodities, namely, wheat and pulses for a period of six months from the date of commencement of this Order.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of wheat and pulses (whole or split) to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided that the Central Government or State Government may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stocks of these commodities and stocks retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2006.-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 28.02.2008]

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(6) **New Delhi, the 7th April, 2008**

S.O. 823(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing

Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement, Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Second Amendment) Order, 2008.

(2) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. The words and expressions used in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodities, namely, edible oils, edible oilseeds and rice for a period of one year from the date of issue of this Order or further order, whichever is earlier.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of edible oils, edible oil seeds and rice to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided that the Central Government or State Government may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stocks of these commodities, and stocks retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stocks Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in Clause 2.

[F. No. 10/1/2008.-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 07.04.2008]

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(7) **New Delhi, the 27th August, 2008**

S.O. 2117 (E). In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely :-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Third Amendment) Order, 2008.

(2) It shall come into force on the first day of September, 2008.

2. The words and expressions made in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodities, namely, wheat & pulses for a further period upto 30th April, 2009 from the date of commencement of this Order.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of wheat & pulses (whole or split) to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stocks of these commodities, and stocks retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in Clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2006.-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 27.08.2008]

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(8) New Delhi, the 27th August, 2008

S.O. 2118(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely :-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Fourth Amendment) Order, 2008.

(2) It shall come into force on the first day of September, 2008.

2. The words and expressions used in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for the commodities paddy, for the period from 1st September, 2008 till 30th April, 2009.

3. Nothing contained in *this* Order shall after the transport, distribution or disposal of paddy to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of this commodity:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stock of this commodity, and stock retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in Clause 2.

[F. No. 10/1/2006.-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 27.08.2008]

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(9) New Delhi, the 22nd September, 2008

S.O. 2247(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 namely:-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Fifth Amendment) Order 2008.

(2) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 as amended by the Order vide S.O. 823(E) dated 7th April, 2008, in Para 3, after the proviso, the following Explanation shall be inserted, namely:-

“**Explanation:** If a wholesaler or retailer or dealer is able to demonstrate that part of his or her stocks are sourced from imports, then these would be excluded for the purpose of calculation of stock limits.”

[F. No. 10/4/2008-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 22.09.2008]

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(10) **New Delhi, the 22nd September, 2008**

S.O. 2248(E). – In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock Limit and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. (1) The Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Sixth Amendment), Order, 2008.

(2) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. If the Removal of (Licensing requirements, stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 as amended by the Order vide S.O. 2117(E) dated 27th August, 2008, in para 3, after the proviso the following Explanation shall be inserted, namely:-

“**Explanation:** If a wholesale or retailer or dealer is able to demonstrate that part of his or her stocks are sourced from imports, then these would be excluded for the purpose of calculation of stock limits.”

[F. No. 10/4/2008-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 22.09.2008]

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(11) **New Delhi, the 22nd September, 2008**

S.O. 2249(E)– In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 namely:-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movements Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Seventh Amendment) Order, 2008.

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(2) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the official Gazette.

2. In the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 as amended by the Order vide S.O. 2118(E), dated 27th August, 2008, in para 3, after the proviso, the following Explanation shall be inserted, namely:-

"Explanation: If a wholesaler or retailer or dealer is able to demonstrate that part of his or her stock are sourced from imports, then these would be excluded for the purpose of calculation of stock limits."

[F. No. 10/4/2008-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 22.09.2008]

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(12) **New Delhi, the 9th March, 2009**

S.O. 649(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955) the Central Government hereby makes the following order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely :-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Amendment) Order, 2009.

(2) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

2. The words and expressions used in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodity, namely, Sugar for a period of four months from the date of issue of this order or further order, whichever is earlier.

3. Nothing contained in this order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of sugar to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of this commodity:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stock of sugar, and stocks retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in Clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2009-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 09.03.2009]

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(13) **New Delhi, the 30th March, 2009**

S.O. 880(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing

requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2012, namely:-

1. This order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Second Amendment) Order, 2009.

2. In the Order Number S.O. 2117(E) dated the 27th August, 2008,-

(i) In Para 2, the words "wheat and" shall be omitted;

(ii) In Para 3, the words "wheat and" shall be omitted.

with effect from the 1st April, 2009, except as respect things done or omitted to be done before such omission.

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(14) **New Delhi, the 2nd April, 2009**

S.O. 905(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely :-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Third Amendment) Order, 2009.

(2) It shall come into force on the seventh day of April, 2009.

2. The words and expressions used in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodities namely, edible oils, edible oil seeds and rice for a further period upto 30th September, 2009 from the date of commencement of this Order.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of edible oils; edible oilseeds and rice to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stocks of these commodities, and stock retained by them.

Explanation.- If a wholesaler or retailer or dealer is able to demonstrate that part of his or her stocks are sourced from imports, then these would be excluded for the purpose of calculation of stock limits.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in Clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 02.04.2009]

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(15) **New Delhi, the 2nd April, 2009**

S.O. 906(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely :-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Fourth Amendment) Order 2009.

(2) It shall come into force on the first day of May, 2009.

2. The words and expressions used in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodities, namely, pulses and paddy for a further period upto 30th September, 2009 from the date of commencement of this order.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of pulses and paddy to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stock of these Commodities, and stocks retained by them.

Explanation.- If a wholesaler or retailer or dealer is able to demonstrate that part of his or her stocks are sourced from imports, then these would be excluded for the purpose of calculation of stock limits.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in Clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 02.04.2009]

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(16) **New Delhi, the 2nd July, 2009**

S.O. 1621(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Fifth Amendment) Order, 2009.

(2) It shall come into force on the 9th day of July, 2009.

2. The words and expressions used in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs

Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodity, namely, Sugar for a further the period of sixth months *i.e.* up to 8th January, 2010 from the date of commencement of this order.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of sugar to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of this commodity:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stocks of sugar, and stocks retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in Clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2009-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 02.07.2009]

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(17) **New Delhi, the 25th September, 2009**

S.O. 2461(E).- dated the 29th September, 2009¹.-In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely :-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Sixth Amendment) Order, 2009.

(2) It shall come into force on the 1st day of October, 2009.

2. The words and expressions used in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution, or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for commodities namely, edible oils, edible oil seeds, rice, pulses and paddy for a further period upto 30th September, 2010 or further orders, whichever is earlier.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of edible oils, edible oilseeds, rice, pulses and paddy to places outside the State, nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stock of these commodities, and stocks retained by them.

Explanation.- If a wholesaler or retailer or dealer is able to demonstrate that part of his or her stocks in respect of edible oils, edible oil seeds, rice, pulses and paddy are sourced from imports, then they shall be excluded for the purpose of calculation of stock limits.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in Clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 25.09.2009]

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(18) **New Delhi, the 18th December, 2009**

S.O. 3249(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by sec. 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. (1) This order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Seventh Amendment) Order, 2009.

(2) It shall come into force on the 9th day of January, 2010.

2. The words and expressions used in respect of purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale in the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall be kept in abeyance for Commodity, namely Sugar for a further period upto 30th September, 2010 or further orders, whichever is earlier.

3. Nothing contained in this Order shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of sugar to places outside the State nor shall it be applicable to import of this Commodity:

Provided that the Central Government or State Governments may direct the importers to declare the receipt of stocks of sugar and stocks retained by them.

4. All other provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stocks Limits and Movements Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 shall continue to remain in force even during the period mentioned in clause 2 above.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 18.12.2009]

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(19) **New Delhi, the 29th September, 2010**

S.O. 2361(E). -In exercise of the powers conferred by Sec. 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. (1) This order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limit and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2010.

(2) It shall come into force on the 1st day of October, 2010.

2. The Provisions of the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Orer,2002 (hereinafter referenced to as the said Order) except clauses 5 and 6, shall not apply to -

(i) pulses, paddy and rice for a further period up to 30th September, 2011

(ii) edible oils and edible oilseeds of a further period up to 31st march, 2011

(iii) sugar for a further period up to 31st December, 2010

in respect of the purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale of these commodities.

3. Nothing contained in the said Order, as amended by this Order, shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of these commodities to places outside the State nor shall it be applicable to import of these Commodities.

Provided that the Central Government or the State Government may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stocks of these commodities and stocks retained by them.

Explanation.- If a wholesaler or retailer or dealer is able to demonstrate that part of his stocks in respect of pulses, paddy, rice edible oils and edible oilseeds are sourced from imports, and then they shall be excluded for the purpose of calculation of stock limits.

4. All other provision of the said Order shall continue to remain in force even during the period specified in clause 2 of this Order.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 29.09.2010]

[Superseded vide Noti. S.O. 654 (E) dt. 30.03.2011]

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(20) **New Delhi, the 30th December, 2010**

S.O. 3060(E). – In exercise of the powers conferred by Sec. 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following amendment to the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Department of Consumer Affairs, published vide number S.O. 2361(E) dt. 29.09.2010, namely:-

In the said notification, in paragraph 2, in clause (iii), for the figures, letters and word “31.12.2010” the figures, letters and word “31.03.2011” shall be substituted.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 30.12.2010]

[Superseded vide Noti. S.O. 654 (E) dt. 30.03.2011]

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(21) **New Delhi, the 30th March, 2011**

S.O. 654(E).– In exercise of the powers conferred by Sec. 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits, and Movement Restrictions on Specified Foodstuffs) Order, 2002, namely:-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limit and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Amendment) Order, 2011.

(2) It shall come into force on the 1st day of April, 2011.

2. In the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, after clause 6, the following clause shall be added, namely:-

- “7. (1) Except clauses 5 and 6, the provisions of this Order shall not apply to-
- (i) pulses, paddy and rice for a period up to 30th September, 2011,
 - (ii) edible oils and edible oilseeds for a further period up to 30th September, 2011,
 - (iii) sugar for a period up to 30th September, 2011,

in respect of the purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale of these commodities:

Provided that nothing in this clause shall affect the transport, distribution or disposal of these commodities to places outside the State nor shall it be applicable to import of these commodities:

Provided further that the Central Government or the State Government may direct the importers to declare the receipts of stocks of these commodities and stocks retained by them.

(2) All other provisions of this Order shall continue to remain in force even during the period specified in sub-clause (i).

Explanation.- If a wholesaler or retailer or dealer is able to demonstrate that part of his stocks in respect of pulses, paddy, rice, edible oils and edible oilseeds are sourced from imports, then, they shall be excluded for the purpose of calculation of stock limits.”

3. The notifications of the Government of India in the Department of Consumer Affairs, number S.O. 2361(E) dt. 29.09.2010 and S.O. 3060(E) dt. 30.12.2010, stand superseded, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 30.03.2011]

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(22) **New Delhi, the 27th September, 2011**

S.O. 2227(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. (1) The Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Amendment) Order, 2011.

(2) It shall come into force on the 1st day of October, 2011.

2. In the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, in clause 7,-

(a) in sub-clause (1) for items (i), (ii) and (iii), the following items shall be substituted, namely:-

“(i) pulses, edible oils and edible oilseeds for a period up to 30th September, 2012

(ii) sugar for a period up to 30th November, 2011, and

(iii) paddy and rice for a period up to 31st October, 2011.”;

(b) in sub-clause (2), for the words, brackets and figure “sub-clause (i)”, the words, brackets and figure “sub-clause (1)” shall be substituted.

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 27.09.2011]

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(23) New Delhi, the 28th October, 2011

S.O. 2447(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government here by makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely:-

1. (1) The Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Third Amendment) Order, 2011.

(2) It shall come into force on the 1.11.2011.

2. In the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, in clause 7, for item (iii) the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“(iii) paddy and rice for a period up to 30.11.2011, in respect of the purchase, movement, sale, supply, distribution or storage for sale of the commodities.”

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 28.10.2011]

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(24) New Delhi, the 29th November, 2011

S.O. 2716(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely :-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Fourth Amendment) Order, 2011.

(2) It shall come into force on the 1st day of December, 2011.

2. In the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock Limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002 in clause 7, in sub clause(1), - for item (iii), the following item shall be substituted, namely:-

“(iii) paddy and rice for a period of one year with effect from 1st December 2011 upto 30th November, 2012 in respect of the States of Andhra Pradesh, National Capital Territory of Delhi, Manipur, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and

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Jharkhand and Union territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands as per their specific request,"

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 29.11.2011]

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(25) New Delhi, the 27th September, 2012

S.O. 2320(E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, namely :-

1. (1) This Order may be called the Removal of (Licensing requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs (Amendment) Order, 2012.

(2) It shall come into force on the 1st day of October, 2012.

2. In the Removal of (Licensing Requirements, Stock limits and Movement Restrictions) on Specified Foodstuffs Order, 2002, in clause 7 as inserted vide notification number S.O. 654(E), dated 30th March, 2011, in sub-clause (1), for item (i), the following item shall be substituted, namely:-

"(i) pulses, edible oils and edible oil seeds for a period up to 30th September, 2013."

[F. No. 10/1/2006-ECR&E]

[Pub. in Gaz. of India Extra. Pt. II, Sec. 3(ii), Dt. 27.09.2012]

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