

Government of India Ministry of Textiles OFFICE OF THE JUTE COMMISSIONER

7th & 8th Floor, Patsan Bhawan CF Block, Action Area – I New Town, Kolkata- 700156

No. Jute (Mktg)/ 52 /2007

Date: 24 -04-2024

To Chairman/Managing Director All Jute Mills

Sub: Supply of BIS compliant jute bags for packing sugar as per provisions of JPM Act, 1987.

As per the notification of the Government of India under the JPM Act, 1987; 20% of sugar is required to compulsorily be packed in the jute bags. It has been informed by the Directorate of Sugar that in the last season there were issues relating to the limited number of mills having BIS licenses and resultant delay in supply. To ensure compliance with the provisions relating to packaging of sugar in the jute bags in the coming season, the mills are expected to prepare themselves for supply of the BIS standard jute bags. It is expected that the crushing period for next season for sugar starts from October 2024 onwards. In this regard, the jute mills may ensure that their BIS licenses for the manufacture of sugar bags are valid for this period. In case any renewal is required, advance planning may be done at the level of jute mills to ensure that the licenses are available in time.

Yours faithfully,

(Moloy Chandan Chakrabortty)

Jute Commissioner

Copy to:

- 1. Chief Director (Sugar) for information.
- Sh. Raghavendra Gupta, Chairman IJMA

(IJMA may approach the sugar industry in August 2024 by contacting ISMA and NFCSF for advance planning of the purchase of jute bags by sugar industry. The list of BIS compliant jute mills and capacity thereof may be circulated each month starting August 2024 to ISMA, NFCSF and Directorate of Sugar, DFPD for information)