No. Jute (Mktg) / 2 / 2003

To
All Jute Mills.

Sub: Supply of B-Twill jute bags to the Govt. A/c.

Sir,

1. As per placement of indents by different foodgrains procuring agencies, this office has issued PCSOs for a total quantity of 10.59 bales upto 13-03-2018. Against the ordered quantity, jute mills have supplied 7.0 lakh bales as on 12-02-2018 leaving a backlog of around 3.59 lakh bales (33.8%). In addition to this backlog quantity, the jute mills are required to supply further quantity of around 6.00 lakh bales in the months of March & April, 2018.

2. After reviewing the supply performance, it was felt that the jute industry needs to gear up their manufacturing capacity and accord top priority in manufacture and supply of B-Twill jute bags on Government account. For this purpose, this office has issued an Order dated 27-12-2017 directing all jute mills to utilize their necessary and adequate installed sacking capacity for exclusive manufacture of the specified quantities of B.Twill jute bags and that no part of the aforesaid capacity shall be diverted in any manner for production of sacking other than Govt. B.Twill jute bags till the entire ordered quantity of the PCSO is executed.

3. Reports have been received by this office that a number of jute mills are selling jute sacking bags in the private market to realize higher price at the cost of Govt. supply after violating the Order dated 27-12-2017. This has primarily caused such large backlog on Govt. A/c.

4. In view of above, all jute mills are hereby directed to obtain permission from this office before selling any jute sacking cloth or bag to any agency. If any jute mill is found to have sold jute sacking cloth or bag to any agency without prior permission of this office, appropriate action as stipulated in the Jute and Jute Textiles Control Order, 2016 will be initiated.

Yours faithfully,

(Dipankar Mahto)
Deputy Jute Commissioner

Copy to:
The Chairman, IJMA. – For information and necessary action.