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To
All Jute Mills

Sir,

We have received information that some unscrupulous traders/frontal organizations set up by some unscrupulous mills are importing B- Twill sacking and B-Twill sacking cloth from Bangladesh/ Nepal with an intention to channelize them into government procurement. I would like to once again remind you that supply of sacking procured from abroad or sacking manufactured out of yarn / cloth imported from abroad are against the intent of JPM Act 1987 and is strictly prohibited.

As I have reiterated many times, this illegal trade injures the domestic market very badly and affects the interests of lakhs of jute mill workers and jute cultivators. Further it also leads to diversion of government subsidy in procurement of jute sacking and benefits unintended parties.

We are receiving inputs of such trade. This is to warn all jute mills and traders that if we detect even a single bag for government supply which has been procured from abroad, we will not only black list the respective organizations from supplying to government for a period of two (2) years but also initiate criminal proceedings against the owners and directors of the company. No excuse for possession of imported material would be accepted.

Yours faithfully,

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