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To

Shri Manish Poddar,
Chairman,
IJMA, Kolkata.

Sub: Fixation of stock limits and capping of B-Twill price

Sir,

The discussions in the conference with jute mills on 30th October may kindly be referred to.

2. There are serious concerns regarding the runaway price of raw jute and the difficulty in availability of raw jute. Several mills have alleged that there is price manipulation by some mills and traders. The abnormal price rise of raw jute and consequent rise in price of B-Twill sacking has also put buyers under stress. Further, the alleged non-availability of raw jute in mills has contributed to the backlog of close to 1.42 lakh bales as on 31st October. If the situation continues, there could be severe adverse impact on the jute industry as well as food grains procurement. The Ministry of Food is examining invocation of dilution in view of the backlog and the raw jute availability issues.

3. This office therefore proposes to implement the following policies:

- I. Imposition of raw jute stock limits – stock of three weeks raw jute consumption in jute mills.
- II. Fixing the upper limit of B-Twill price at which government would procure sacking.
- III. Fixation of Reasonable Price for raw jute.

4. This is to inform you in advance of the policies that are likely to be put in place in addition to such other steps as may be required in the overall interest of the industry and the state procurement agencies. You are requested to send your comments on the proposed policies as stated above by 6th November 2015.

Yours faithfully,



(Dipankar Mahto)

Deputy Jute Commissioner