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Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
Department of Food and Public Distribution

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated 10-07-2025

To,

The Chairman and Managing Director,
Food Corporation of India,
16-20, Barakhamba Lane.

Subject: Policy for sale of wheat and rice in the open market through Open Market Sale Scheme (Domestic) (OMSS (D)) for the year 2025-26 -reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to convey the approval of the competent authority on Policy for sale of foodgrain (wheat, rice and coarse grains) stocks in excess of buffer stocking norms, under OMSS(D) for the year 2025-26 or till further orders, whichever is earlier, as follows:-

A. WHEAT

- i. Reserve price of Wheat for various categories is fixed as given in table below. The prices will be valid upto 30.06.2026 :-

Sl No	Category	Reserve Price* (Rs./qtl)
1	Sale of wheat of all crop years including RMS 2025-26 to private parties through e-auction	2550/-
2	Sale of wheat to Central Cooperative organizations, like NAFED/NCCF/ Kendriya Bhandar (Retail Sale) for sale under 'Bharat' brand through own stores/mobile vans and/or E-commerce/big chain retailers only	
3	Sale of wheat to Community Kitchens	

*Excluding transportation

- ii. Transportation cost, as applicable, will be added to the reserve price.
- iii. No sale to be undertaken during the procurement period in the procuring regions.
- iv. Sale of wheat to Central cooperative organizations like NAFED/ NCCF/Kendriya Bhandar will be allowed in procuring regions as well as consuming regions during procurement period of wheat.
- v. Sale of wheat under OMSS(D) to Corporations/Cooperatives/Federations of State Governments is not permitted.
- vi. Sale of wheat for 'Bharat' brand of Atta through private millers is not

permitted.

- vii. The quantum of stocks to be offloaded & timing, considering stocks holding at the relevant point of time may be decided by FCI in consultation with DFPD after keeping the stocks for PDS requirement, buffer norms and additional quantity of 20 LMT that can be used in case of any exigency.

B. RICE

- i. Reserve price of Rice for various categories is fixed as given in table below: -

Sl No	Category	Reserve Price (Rs./qtl)	
		(PAN India)*	
		Till 31.10.2025	From 01.11.2025 to 30.06.2026**
1	Sale of Rice with 25% broken to Private Parties and Cooperatives/ Cooperative Federations through e-auction	2800/-	2890/-
2	Sale of Custom Milled Rice (CMR) with 10% broken rice under Rice Milling Transformation scheme in the open market to private parties through e-auction.	3000/-	3090/-
3	Sale of broken rice produced under Rice Milling Transformation scheme in the open market for sale to private parties through e-auction.	2250/-	2320/-
4	Sale of Rice from FCI depots to Small Private Traders/Entrepreneurs/Individuals	2800/-	2890/-
5	Sale of Rice to State Governments and Corporations of State Governments without participating in e-auction.	2250/-	2320/-
6	Sale of Rice to Community Kitchens	for total quantity not exceeding 36 LMT	for total quantity not exceeding 32 LMT
7	Sale of rice to Central cooperative organizations, like NAFED/NCCF/ Kendriya Bhandar (Retail Sale) for sale under 'Bharat' brand through own stores/mobile vans and/ or E-commerce/big chain retailers only.	2400/-	2480/-
8	Sale of Rice to ethanol distilleries for production of ethanol	2250/- For total quantity not exceeding 52 LMT	2320/- For total quantity not exceeding 52 LMT

* i.e. no additional transportation cost to be added.

****3% increase in Reserve Price in accordance with increase in MSP of paddy**

ii. Support from Price Stabilization Fund amounting to Rs. 200/Qtl. for sale of rice to Central cooperative organizations, like NAFED/NCCF/ Kendriya Bhandar (Retail Sale) for sale under 'Bharat' brand rice will be discontinued w.e.f. 01.07.2025.

iii. E-auction/direct sale as per SI no (1) and (2) in Table above can be done only in deficit regions both during procurement and non-procurement periods. However, sale of rice during procurement period in deficit regions should be restricted to varieties of rice that are not being procured in the State during the procurement period. FCI will also coordinate with State Governments to ensure that rice varieties being sold under OMSS (D) are not procured from the State.

iv. Sale of rice to Central cooperative organizations like NAFED/NCCF/Kendriya Bhandar will be allowed in procuring regions as well as consuming regions during procurement period of paddy.

v. Sale of Bharat Brand of rice to institutional buyers like hostels, religious institutions, charitable organizations, hospitals and IHQ of MoD (Army)/ Army Supply Core is allowed.

vi. Sale of 'Bharat' brand of rice through private millers is not permitted.

vii. Sale of rice to State Governments under OMSS(D) is restricted only to non-surplus States which require additional rice to meet their requirements.

viii. For the purpose of supplying rice to ethanol distilleries for production of ethanol, old/broken rice should be utilized to the extent feasible.

ix. Quantum of stocks to be offloaded, and timing, considering stocks holding at the relevant point of time may be decided by FCI in consultation with DFPD after keeping the stocks for PDS requirement, buffer norms and additional quantity of 30 LMT that can be used in case of any exigency.

C. COARSE GRAINS

i. Reserve price of Coarse grains is fixed as given in Table below : -

SI No	Category	Reserve Price* (Rs./qtl)
1	Sale of Bajra to private parties through e-auction	2775/-
2	Sale of Ragi to private parties through e-auction	4886/-
3	Sale of Jowar to private parties through e-auction	3749/-
4	Sale of Maize to private parties through e-auction	2400/-

*Excluding transportation

- ii. Transportation cost, as applicable, will be added to the reserve price.
2. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Rakesh Kumar Meena)
Director

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1. Secretary, Department of Expenditure, North Block, New Delhi.
- ii. Secretary, Department of Consumer Affairs, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- iii. Secretary, Department of Commerce, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
- iv. Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, New Delhi.

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