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Government of India
Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas

Kartavya Bhawan-3, New Delhi
Dated : 17th November, 2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub.: Meeting to review 'the status of the Maize Procurement Portal and status of Maize Procurement through NAFED/NCCF'-reg.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith Minutes of the Meeting (MoM) held on 11.11.2025 under the chairmanship of Addl. Secretary, MoP&NG on the above mentioned subject, for information and further necessary action.

2. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Encl: As above



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To,

1. Managing Director, NAFED
2. Managing Director, NCCF
3. Joint Secretary-Sugar, DFPD
4. Joint Secretary (CD-I), Ministry of Cooperation
5. Chairman/CMD- IOCL/BPCL/HPCL

Copy to:

1. Joint Secretary-BR, MoP&NG
2. Director-BR, MoP&NG

Minutes of Meeting held on 11th November 2025 to review 'the status of the Maize Procurement Portal and status of Maize Procurement through NAFED/NCCF'

A meeting was convened under the chairmanship of Additional Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MoP&NG), on 11th November 2025 in the Conference Hall of MoP&NG to review the status of Maize Procurement Portal developed by NCCF and the status of Maize procurement through NAFED/NCCF. List of participants is provided in Annexure-I.

2. Director (BR), MoP&NG apprised that during the Rabi season 2025, covering the states of Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Bihar, and Assam, NAFED/NCCF had received purchase orders for a total quantity of 19,446 MT of maize, against which 16,732 MT was procured, and 16,146 MT has been uplifted by distilleries. It was informed that focus has now shifted towards Kharif procurement season (November to March), covering the states of Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, and Karnataka.

3. The representative from NAFED informed that, in the forthcoming seasons, India is expected to witness an increase of approximately 38% in maize production. It was further stated that the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for maize during the marketing season 2025–26 has been fixed at ₹24 per kg. However, owing to a robust maize production, maize is being traded in the ongoing Kharif season at around ₹16–17 per kg. Furthermore, it was suggested that, given the current market price of maize being below the MSP, it would be prudent for NAFED/NCCF to enter the market only in the presence of assured purchase orders of higher volumes say about 50,000 MT from distillers. Accordingly, it was decided that NAFED/NCCF will furnish district-wise maize procurement projections for the first quarter of ESY 2025-26 to BPCL, for timely coordination with registered distillers in the states of Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, and Karnataka.

4. NCCF demonstrated the live functioning of the Common Portal to the participants. Acknowledging the changes incorporated in the portal, Addl. Secretary (P&NG) further advised NCCF to include functionalities such as SMS trigger updates to stakeholders and the provision of a minimum quantity limit while placing purchase orders. It was further informed by NCCF that NAFED is yet to onboard the Common Portal, which remains the only pending step towards providing a unified interface for distilleries to facilitate maize procurement. In response, NAFED informed that they will onboard the common portal by 14th November 2025.

5. After detailed deliberation, the following recommendations were made:

- a) NCCF to incorporate functionalities such as an SMS trigger system for stakeholders and a minimum purchase order limit on the Common Portal.
- b) NAFED to ensure onboarding of the Common Portal by 14th November, 2025.

- c) NAFED & NCCF to conduct an online workshop on portal operations with all registered distilleries by 16th November, 2025. PSU OMCs to also join this workshop.
 - d) NAFED/NCCF to share district wise Maize procurement projections for Q1 of ESY 2025-26 with BPCL for timely coordination with registered distillers.
 - e) Procurement of maize for the ongoing Kharif season to start without waiting for registration of distillers on portal, which should be a parallel exercise aimed at gradual transition from offline to portal based procurement management.
6. Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Annexure-I

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS	
S.No.	
1.	Sh. Praveen M Khanooja, Additional Secretary, MoP&NG
2.	Sh. Rohit Mathur, JS (Gen./BR), MoP&NG
3.	Sh. Deepak Srivastava, Dir.(BR), MoP&NG
4.	Sh. Arvind Kumar Rawat, Director, DFPD
5.	Smt. S. Sathiya, Director, Ministry of Cooperation
6.	Sh. Sanjay Kumar Tiwary, US(BR), MoP&NG
7.	Sh. Anurag Saraogi, ED, BPCL
8.	Sh. Pawan Dotania, Mgr.-IOCL, BR Cell, MoP&NG
9.	Sh. Ravindra Kumar, SO(BR), MoP&NG
10.	Sh. Harit Kumar Shakya, Jt. Dir. (Sugar), DFPD
11.	Sh. Alok Kumar Tiwari, Tech. Officer, DFPD
12.	Smt. Veena Kumari, GM, NAFED
13.	Sh. Sushil Kumar, Manager, NAFED
14.	Sh. Manas Ghosh, Asst. Manager, NCCF
15.	Sh. Chinmay Kumar Sahoo, Asst. Manager, NCCF
16.	Smt. Kanupriya, Executive, NEML
17.	Smt. Ashita Gupta, Executive, Radiant
18.	Sh. Sanjay Singh, Executive, Radiant
