This is in continuation of Board’s earlier letter reference no. DTD-Per/2020 dated 15\textsuperscript{th} May, 2020 on “Special Tea plucking and Special Tea auction in commemoration of the International Tea Day on 21\textsuperscript{st} May, 2020”. In this connection, Board has received overwhelming response from the sellers and approximately 286 nos. of manufacturing units across all tea growing states have offered their specially plucked teas in this special auction.

These specially plucked teas shall now be offered in auction on 22\textsuperscript{nd} June, 2020 (Monday). The general terms and conditions for this special auction shall be as follows:

1. The auction shall be conducted electronically across six auction centres i.e. Kolkata, Guwahati, Siliguri, Cochin, Coonoor and Coimbatore on 22\textsuperscript{nd} June, 2020.
2. The auction shall mandatorily start from 8 am onwards across all auction centres.
3. The teas to be offered for special auction shall be marked as Special plucking-ITD 2020 both on the bag and the invoice for easy identification.
4. The auction teas shall reach the concerned warehouses (i.e. to the registered warehouses nearer to the centre where the teas have been offered) at least 15 days prior to the auction date for publishing of catalogue, valuation by the brokers, etc..
5. The special auction shall be governed by Pan India Auction Rules, which is in force, except the following:
   - The lot sizes shall be as per the norms laid down in our earlier circular reference no.DTD-Per/2020 dated 15\textsuperscript{th} May, 2020.
   - This being a special auction with low volume, distribution of samples to the buyers shall not take place.
   - However, the samples of the teas offered shall be displayed in the respective auction centres for the interested buyers for at least two to three days before the sale, the dates for display of samples shall be decided by the auction organizer as per convenience of the centre.
   - There shall be no division of lots.
   - No revision of reserve price by the brokers shall be permitted during live auction.
- Since this special auction is an endeavour to promote best of the Indian teas, Board as a goodwill gesture shall not charge usual transaction fee of 6 paise per kg from the stakeholders.

All the activities related to display of samples, etc. shall be carried out in strict compliance maintaining the social distancing norms laid down in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic.

All the concerned stakeholders including the buyers are requested to extend their whole hearted co-operation in making this endeavour successful.

Sd/-
(Rajanigandha Seal Naskar)
Controller of Licensing

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