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To,
All Auction Organisers
All Producer Associations
All Buyer Associations
All Auctioneers
All Exporter Associations
All Warehouse Associations

Subject: Pan India Auction Rule on “Bharat Auction”

Sir/Madam,

This has reference to the Bharat Auction rule circulated vide circular dated 24.12.2021. Subsequently, some representations have been received from various associations with the request to amend certain rules. The same have been examined and amended as follows:

Bharat Auction Rule as circulated vide circular dt.24.12.2021	Changes sought	Amended Rule
33. Lot Sizes: For North India, the lot sizes mentioned in the circular issued by Tea Board vide ref. no 6(29)/ LC /Gen/11-13/P-III/Vol-3/2017/13078 dated 25 th August, 2021 shall be followed. For South India, the minimum no. of packages in the lot shall not be less than 15 packages.	For South India, minimum lot size for South India should be (i) For Orthodox - 5 bags and increments of any number (ii) For CTC – 10 bags and increments of any number	33. Lot Sizes: For North India, the lot sizes mentioned in the circular issued by Tea Board vide ref. no 6(29)/ LC /Gen/11-13/P-III/Vol-3/2017/13078 dated 25 th August, 2021 shall be followed. For South India any lot having more than 15 packages shall be considered as big lot and any lot having less than 15 packages shall be considered as small lots. However, under no circumstances the minimum no. of packages in a lot shall be less than 5.
38 (c) Handling Unsold Lots/Price Rediscovery Session (PRS): The closing price of the normal session shall become the base price of the PRS. RP (Reserve	The base price should be the same base price as in the normal session.	No change

<p>Price) can be modified 15 minutes prior to the start of the session for each auctioneers.</p>		
<p>38. (d) Handling Unsold Lots/Price Rediscovery Session (PRS): If the lots are unsold in PRS session then the same shall be re-printed in a fresh catalogue with sampling. However, it should not be marked as reprinted teas in the fresh catalogue.</p>	<p>The words “SHALL be reprinted” should be replaced by “CAN be reprinted”.</p>	<p>38. (d) (i) If the lots are unsold in PRS session then the same can be re-printed in a fresh catalogue with sampling however, it should not be marked as reprinted teas in the fresh catalogue.</p> <p>(ii) In case of any private sale, the details are to be intimated to Tea Board and concerned auction organizer in writing immediately after sale.</p>
<p>43. Issue of Tax Notes: a. Broker members shall issue tax invoices to the buyers as per the Deal Book. b. The broker shall issue one tax invoice for the entire lot bought by a buyer.</p>	<p>The rule is broker billing with regard to specific scenario in North India, whereas in South India seller billing is followed as per the Kerala High Court order w.e.f. from the introduction of GST. This seller billing to be specified in the Bharat Auction rule.</p>	<p>The existing practice, i.e., seller-billings shall be followed in South India.</p>
<p>52. Transaction charges: c) A transaction charge @ 50 paisa per kg by each buyer shall be required to be paid to Tea Board for PRS session. d) A transaction charge @ 1 % of the total deal value by each buyer shall be required to be paid to seller for PRS session.</p>	<p>No transaction charges are to be kept for PRS session.</p>	<p>The transaction charges are removed from PRS at present.</p>
<p>54. Warehouse charges: a) The charges payable to the registered warehouse shall be as specified by the auction organiser or based on the directives issued by the Tea Board from time to time. (the charges shall be set in a manner so as to discourage the buyers from keeping teas in the warehouse for long after the buyers’ prompt date).</p>	<p>Tea cannot be stored for more than three months in the warehouse. It is not specified what has to be done to the tea.</p>	<p>No Change</p>

However, no buyer shall be allowed to store his teas in the warehouse for a period beyond 3 months from the date of sale.		
Rule 59 (b): Claims on grounds of quality should be submitted within 2 months from the date of sale or within 7 days from the removal of teas from the warehouse	As soon as the delivery of tea is taken/or teas removed from the warehouse, seller cannot be made liable for any quality variations.	No change since the Rule has been kept same as per Pan India Rule

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-
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