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

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated: 12.11.2016

To,  
The Controllers of Legal Metrology,  
All States/ UTs

**Subject:-**The Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011- Sale of packaged commodities in packed form - regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to the above cited subject and to state that it has come to the notice that some of the retailers are selling the packaged commodities in loose form after tearing the package.

2. Please be informed that under Rule 4 of the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011, provision is made for not selling pre-packaged commodity, if a label is affixed on it, having such declarations as are required to be made under these rules, as follows:

**"4. Regulation for pre-packing and sale etc. of commodities in packaged form. -**

On and from the commencement of these rules, no person shall pre-pack or cause or permit to be pre-packed any commodity for sale, distribution or delivery unless the package in which the commodity, a label is securely affixed and such declarations as are required to be made under these rules."

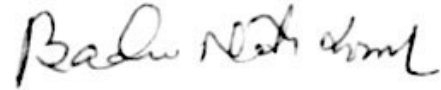
3. Further, it is to inform that under Rule 6 of the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011 the following mandatory declarations are required on every package-

- "(i) Name & Address of the manufactures/packer/importer
- (ii) Name of the commodity
- (iii) The net quantity in terms of the standard unit or weight are measured
- (iv) Month and year in which commodity manufactured or pre-packed or imported shall be mentioned
- (v) Retail sale price of the package
- (vi) Consumer care details"

4. Therefore, it is advised to direct the field officers to ensure that no packaged commodity including cigarette, cigar, bidi etc. is to be sold in loose form after tearing the package.

5. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,



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