CIRCULAR

Sub: Agri.Mktg.Dept- Food Processing Policy of Andhra Pradesh State 2015-2020-100% exemption of Andhra Pradesh Market Committee Cess/Fees to the new/existing Food Processing Units for procurement of Agriculture/ Horticulture Produce directly from the farmers-Further instruction-issued.

3. This Office Circular even No. Dt: 25.04.2016.

The immediate attention of the Secretaries of the AMCs.,in the state is invited to the references cited. It is noticed that some of the AMCs are not following the circular instructions issued in the reference 3rd cited.

Therefore, all the JDsM, DDsM, ADsM and Secretaries of AMCs in the state is drawn to the references cited and they are directed to go through the G.O.Ms.No.57 vide reference 1st cited thoroughly. Further, it is informed that, the Government vide reference 2nd cited read with G.O vide reference 1st cited has given 100% exemption of APMC cess / fees in respect of procurement of Agriculture / Horticulture produce directly from farmers by new / existing food processing units. The same was forwarded to the above concerned vide reference 3rd cited.

In this regard, the following instructions are issued, to be follow while giving 100% exemption of M.F in respect of procurement of Agriculture / Horticulture produce directly from farmers by new / existing food processing units.

1. The Secretary of the AMC shall observe the provisions of Section 7(1) of A.P (A.P & L.S) Markets Act, 1966 regarding the licensing of processing units.

2. The Secretary of the AMC is directed to visit the processing units in their jurisdiction, once in a week compulsorily and verify whether the produce is being procured directly from the farmers or not and whether the payments are made by the processing units to the farmers through online or not. If not so, steps may be taken for affecting the online payments by the
processing units to the farmers.

3. The Secretary of the AMC shall ensure that, the processing unit have submitted the following documents in respect of the farmers from whom the produce is purchased and claiming exemption.

   a. Photo copy of Aadhar Card.
   b. Photo copy of Pattadar Passbook.
   c. Photo copy of the 1st and 2nd pages of Bank Pass Book of Farmer (with details of Account Number, Bank Name with Branch Details and IFSC code)
   d. In case of tenant farmers, they shall bring the LEC (Loan Eligibility Card) if available or they shall bring the certificate from the Revenue Department duly mentioning the Survey No., Land Owner Name and extent of area where the crop was grown
   e. Bank Account transaction statement of the farmer showing the payment made by the processing unit in respect of the produce.

4. The Secretary of the AMC shall verify the crop details of the farmers, whose produce is purchase directly by the Processing Units with web land portal (which is a Government Portal).

5. Subject to the matching of the details produced by the Processing units with the details in web land portal and production of above said all documents, the Secretary of the AMC shall give exemption on the produce.

6. The Secretary of the AMC is directed to give exemption after matching of the details with web land portal and after receipt of the above said documents by the processing units.

All the JDsM, DDsM, ADsM and Secretaries of the AMCs in the state are hereby directed to take necessary steps for strict implementation of G.Os vide references cited duly following the instructions issued above.

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All the Secretaries of AMCs in the state through concerned JDsM for necessary action.

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