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Subject: Inviting comments from stakeholders on declared shelf life of agricultural commodities for storage in warehouses.

1. As per Rule 4(1A) of the Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Registration of Warehouses (Amendment) Rules 2017, the Authority shall, from time to time, notify the type of goods that may be, the subject matter of a negotiable warehouse receipt. Further, as per Rule 25 (a) of the said rules, a warehouseman shall issue a negotiable warehouse receipt only in respect of such goods that have been notified by the Authority from time to time. In this regard, WDRA has notified 167 agricultural commodities which includes 24 horticultural commodities as well. This includes cereals, pulses, spices, oilseeds and oil cakes, oils and fats etc.

2. As per para 11 (1) (o) of the Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007, a warehouse receipt, shall be a document of title to goods in writing if it contains declared shelf-life of the goods. Further, as per para 11 (1) (q) of the said Act, the receipt would be valid only till the date of expiry of declared shelf-life of the goods for which it is issued. Hence, it is required that a shelf-life be declared for all goods that are supposed to be stored under an eNWR in a WDRA registered warehouse.

3. In this regard, WDRA has specified the declared shelf life of 149 notified commodities vide 27-1/2010/WDRA dated 27.09.2018. However, several representations have been received from various stakeholders that the declared shelf life of the notified commodities needs modification to be in line with industry standards and global practices.

4. It may be noted that as per the para 6(1) of the said Act, the warehouseman is liable for loss of, or injury to, goods caused by his failure to exercise care and diligence. Moreover, para 6(2) of the said Act, in case the goods are damaged or lost in spite of taking all care and precautions by the warehouseman due to unavoidable circumstances, the compensation equal to the value of goods at the time of deposit of the goods shall be payable by the warehouseman.

The warehouseman is liable for loss in quality or quantity of the goods within the declared shelf-life of the goods. Thus, the declared shelf life of the goods must be for a period for which the goods can be stored without any loss in quality or quantity within the particular type of warehouse.

5. Accordingly, suggestions/ comments are invited from all stakeholders including warehouse service providers, depositors, Government agencies and general public on the declared shelf-life that may be prescribed for WDRA notified commodities. The comments may be given based on type of commodity and the type of warehouse it is to be stored in as per the format attached (Annexure-I).

6. All submissions may be sent by post to the Assistant Director (SRR), Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority, 4th Floor, NCUI Building, 3, Siri Institutional Area August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas New Delhi-110016 or by email to email ID-adsrr-wdra@gov.in .

7. Submissions should be made within 15 days of issue of this paper.

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Format for submission of comments

S.No	Commodity	Type of Warehouse	Existing declared Shelf life prescribed by WDRA (in months)	Total extension of declared shelf life prescribed by WDRA (in months)	Proposed Declared shelf life	Remarks/ justification in support of shelf life
1	Wheat	Conventional	6	6		
		Silo	6	6		
		Cold				
2	Rice	Conventional	6	6		
		Silo	6	6		
		Cold				
3	Paddy	Conventional	6	6		
		Silo	6	6		
		Cold				
4	Jowar	Conventional	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
5	Bajra	Conventional	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
6	Barley	Conventional	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
7	Maize	Conventional	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
8	Ragi	Conventional	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
9	Soyabean	Conventional	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
10	Mustard Seed	Conventional	6	6		

		Silo				
		Cold				
11	Rapeseed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
12	Groundnut (pods) bag	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
13	Sunflower oilseed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
14	Cotton seed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
15	Tamarind Seed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
16	Cumin seed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
17	Castor seeds	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
18	Cashew kernel	Convention al	3	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
19	Arecanut	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
20	Black pepper	Convention al	3	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
21	Fennel Seeds	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
22	Fenugreek seeds	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				

23	Guar gum	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
24	Horse gram	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
25	Isabgol	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
26	Black gram (Flour)	Convention al	3	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
27	Coffee beans	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
28	Sago	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
29	Ball copra	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
30	Cup Copra	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
31	Cardamom	Convention al	3	0		
		Silo				
		Cold				
32	Urd Whole (Black gram)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
33	Urd split (husked)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
34	Urd split (unhusked)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
35	Moong (whole)	Convention al	6	6		

		Silo				
		Cold				
36	Moong split (husked)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
37	Moong split (unhusked)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
38	Masoor (lentil) whole	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
39	Masoor (lentil) split (husked)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
40	Arhar/ Tur (red gram) whole	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
41	Arhar/ Tur (red gram) split (husked)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
42	Kabuli Chana	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
43	Chana whole (Bengal Gram)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
44	Chana split (husked)/ Dal Chana	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
45	Matki/ Moth (whole)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
46	Matki/ Moth split (husked)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
47	Yellow peas (whole)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				

		Cold				
48	Rajma	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
49	Lobia	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
50	Raw Milled superfine / fine rice	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
51	Raw Milled medium rice	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
52	Raw Milled common (Coarse) rice	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
53	Parboiled milled medium rice	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
54	Parboiled milled superfine/ fine rice	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
55	Parboiled milled common (coarse) rice	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
56	Fine broken rice	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
57	Common broken rice	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
58	Mustard oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
59	Groundnut oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				

60	Sesame (til or gingelly oil)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
61	Coconut oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
62	Linseed oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
63	Castor oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
64	Niger seed oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
65	Safflower seed oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
66	Cotton seed oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
67	Rice Bran oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
68	Soyabean oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
69	Sunflower seed oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
70	Maize (Corn) oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
71	Mahua (mowrah oil)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
72	Salseed oil (Fat)	Convention al	6	6		

		Silo				
		Cold				
73	Taramira seeds	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
74	Sesame seeds	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
75	Safflower seeds	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
76	Linseed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
77	Mahua seed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
78	Sal seed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
79	Niger seed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
80	Walnuts	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
81	Raw cashewnuts	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
82	Groundnuts	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
83	Coconut	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
84	Ajowan seeds (whole and powdered)	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				

85	Mace	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
86	Seedless tamarind	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
87	Cloves	Convention al	12	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
88	Mixed masala powders	Convention al	3	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
89	Sun dried raw mango slices and powder	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
90	Compounde d asafoetida	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
91	Nutmeg	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
92	Curry powder	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
93	Saffron	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
94	Tejpat	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
95	Poppy seeds	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
96	Makhana	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
97	Makhana powder	Convention al	3	2		

		Silo				
		Cold				
98	makhana fried	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
99	Guar seed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
100	Tea	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
101	Coffee, Arabica and Robusta	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
102	Tobacco	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
103	Rubber	Convention al	12	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
104	Desi Chana	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
105	Indian Sugar	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
106	Cotton seed oil cake	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
107	Refined bleached and deodorized palmolein	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
108	Refined soya oil	Convention al				
		Silo	6	6		
		Cold				
109	Soya meal	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				

		Cold				
110	Gur or jaggerry	Convention al	3	2		
		Silo				
		Cold				
111	Mentha oil	Convention al	14	10		
		Silo				
		Cold				
112	Crude palmolein oil	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
113	Pasteurized butter	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold	6	6		
114	Ghee	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
115	Skimmed Milk Powder	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
116	Oats	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
117	Mustard oil cake - expressed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
118	Mustard oil cake - solvent extracted	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
119	Neem cake	Convention al	24	12		
		Silo				
		Cold				
120	Neem oil	Convention al	12	12		
		Silo				
		Cold				
121	Neem seed	Convention al	3	3		
		Silo				
		Cold				
122	Tapioca	Convention	3	3		

	Chips	al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
123	Tapioca products - Animal Feed	Convention al	6	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
124	Frozen Green Peas	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	6	6		
125	Frozen French Beans	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	6	6		
126	Frozen Cauliflower	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	6	6		
127	Frozen Spinach	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	6	6		
128	Honey	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
129	Cane Molasses	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
130	Solvent Extracted groundnut oil cake	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
131	Barnyard Millet	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
132	Browntop Millet	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
133	Foxtail Millet	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
134	Ginger Seed	Convention al				

		Silo				
		Cold				
135	Jack Fruit seed	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
136	Kodo Millet	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
137	Little Millet	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
138	Proso Millet	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
139	Raw Arrowroot Powder	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
140	White Peas	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold				
141	Table potatoes (with or without CIPC application)	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	4	2		
142	Seed potatoes	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	4	2		
143	Processing (potatoes with CIPC application)	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	4	2		
144	Apples in CA storage	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	4	2		
145	Carrots	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	1	1		
146	Nagpur mandarin	Convention al				

		Silo				
		Cold	4	2		
147	Khasi/ Darjeeling or NE oranges	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	4	2		
148	Kinnow	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	4	2		
149	Sweet lime	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	4	2		
150	Lemon	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	4	2		
151	Pomegranat e	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	1	1		
152	Grapes	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	1	1		
153	Almond	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	3	2		
154	Raisins	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	3	2		
155	Onion (Fresh or dehydrated)	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	Fresh - 1, Dehydrate d -3	Fresh - 1, Dehydrate d -2		
156	Garlic (Fresh or dehydrated)	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	Fresh - 1, Dehydrate d -3	Fresh - 1, Dehydrate d -2		
157	Ginger (Fresh or dehydrated)	Convention al				
		Silo				

		Cold	Fresh - 1, Dehydrate d -3	Fresh - 1, Dehydrate d -2		
158	Dried edible mushrooms	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	3	2		
159	Red chillies	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	12	6		
160	Coriander (dry)	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	12	6		
161	Cinnamon	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	12	6		
162	Turmeric	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	12	6		
163	Tamarind	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	12	6		
164	Date palm	Convention al				
		Silo				
		Cold	12	6		
165	Raw cotton	Convention al	9	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				
166	Cotton bales	Convention al	10	5		
		Silo				
		Cold				
167	Jute Bales	Convention al	9	6		
		Silo				
		Cold				