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FOREWORD BY CHAIRPERSON

I am pleased to present the Quarterly Bulletin of the Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA) for the period April to June 2024. This quarter marked a period of consistent effort for the Authority, despite the constraints the model code of conduct (MCC) imposed for the recent elections. Due to MCC guidelines, we undertook limited public engagement and promotional activities. Nonetheless, our dedicated teams continued their work with unwavering commitment to enhance the standards and regulatory framework of the warehousing sector in India.

In this quarter, Shri Kiran Karamil, Agriculture Counsellor at the Australian High Commission, visited WDRA for an introductory meeting to discuss collaborative opportunities. WDRA conducted Farmers Awareness Programmes, capacity-building workshops and Assaying Training Programmes aimed at educating stakeholders about WDRA's role. The Assaying Training Programme, held in June, benefitted 35 warehouse technical staff, enhancing skills in quality assurance. We also celebrated the 10th International Yoga Day in a mass demonstration in New Delhi, reinforcing our commitment to holistic well-being.

I extend my appreciation to the WDRA team for its dedication and perseverance during this quarter. As we look ahead, I am confident that the coming quarters will see further growth with greater outreach and interaction with our stakeholders. Together, we remain committed to building a robust future-ready warehousing sector that meets the needs of a dynamic and growing economy.

**(T K Manoj Kumar),
Chairperson, WDRA**

CHAPTER I: EVENTS

A. National Conferences and Programmes:

(i) Presentation explaining functions of WDR A

During the meeting, WDR A Officers gave a presentation explaining functions of WDR A, electronic Negotiable Warehouse Receipt (e-NWR) eco-system and loaning against e-NWR.



Shri Kiran Karamil, Counsellor (Agriculture), Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Australian High Commission, New Delhi visited WDR A on 09.04.2024 to have an introductory meeting with the senior officers of WDR A.

(ii) हिंदी कार्यशाला आयोजन

सभी उप निदेशकों, सहायक निदेशकों, अनुभाग अधिकारियों एवं कर्मचारियों के साथ अनुवादिनी टूल पर डॉ बुद्धा चंद्रशेखर द्वारा हिंदी कार्यशाला आयोजित हुई।



B. Awareness and Publicity

(i) Farmers Awareness Programme:-

Media coverage of the Farmers Awareness Programme (FAP), capacity building programmes (WTP) and Assaying Training Programme (ATP) conducted by various institutes to create awareness about WDRA.



(ii) ASSAYING TRAINING PROGRAMME (ATP) for the Technical Staff of Warehouses registered with WDRA, New Delhi conducted on 12.06.2024 to 14.06.2024 at ICM Madurai, Campus. Around 35 Participants were benefited by this programme.

CHAPTER II:

Significant achievements in 1st quarter of 2024-25

(i) Warehouses Registrations

In the first quarter of the 2024-25 financial year, WDRA registered 533 warehouses across India. This milestone supports WDRA's goal to improve storage standards, enhance transparency and promote growth within the warehousing sector, benefiting both agricultural and commercial stakeholders.

(ii) Pledge Finance against eNWRs

During this period, WDRA facilitated pledge loans totaling Rs.2,349.24 crores against electronic Negotiable Warehouse Receipts (e-NWRs). This figure highlights the continued growth and confidence of financial institutions in the WDRA-regulated e-NWR system, which offers secure and standardized collateral options for stakeholders, including farmers and traders, seeking streamlined access to credit.

(iii) Mandatory issuance of e-Negotiable Warehouse Receipt (e-NWR)

Rule 27 of the Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Registration of Warehouses Rules, 2017 was substituted vide G.S.R. 311(E) dated 04.06.2024 that mandated warehousemen to issue negotiable warehouse receipts solely in electronic form and for the same, the Authority may itself function as a repository or register one or more entities as repository, for creation and management of electronic negotiable warehouse receipts.

CHAPTER III: Celebrations in WDRA

On the occasion of 10th International Yoga Day on 21.06.2024, officers of WDRA participated in the Mass Yoga Demonstration held at Tygaraj Stadium, New Delhi led by Hon'ble Minister (CA,F&PD) – Shri Pralhad Joshi to celebrate the theme of "Yoga for Self and Society".



ADIEU:

Sh. Dinesh Pabshetwar, AD (SA), was relieved on 08.04.2024, upon the completion of his deputation tenure to re-join his parent organization, the Central Warehousing Corporation.

श्रद्धांजलि

(कावेरी कौशिक, डॉ अमित कुमार कौशिक,
अवर सचिव (तकनीकि), डबल्यूडीआरए की सुपुत्री)

हम सब याद करते हैं शहीदों को
कहानियों में, प्रसागों में, कविताओं, गीतों में
15 अगस्त, 26 जनवरी, जयंतियों पर, लेकिन
मन में मेरे प्रश्न उभरता है, लाखों कुर्बानियों के
लिए इतना करना काफी है ?

श्रद्धांजलि कहलाने के खातिर कुछ और
है जो करना जरूरी है । उसे करने के लिए
सरकारी कर्मचारी होना जरूरी नहीं । उसे करने के लिए
कवि, लेखक, अच्छा वक्ता होना भी जरूरी नहीं है ।
गीतकार या गायक होना तो बिल्कुल भी जरूरी नहीं ।

सबसे खूबसूरत बात यह है कि, इस,
काम को कर सकता है बच्चा भी, बड़ा भी,
अमीर भी, गरीब भी, महिला भी, पुरुष भी,

यह जरूरी कार्य यह है कि हम,
'ईमानदारी' से अपना-अपना काम करें ।
यही शहीदों के लिए सच्ची श्रद्धांजलि होगी ।

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