F. No. 14-6/2011-WDRA

Dated 14-12-2012

To

As per list enclosed.

Sub: Accreditation of the warehouses belonging to Primary Cooperative Societies (PCSs) - reg.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the letter of even no. dated the 19th July, 2012 in which the Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA) had issued less stringent norms for the accreditation of warehouses belonging to Primary Cooperative Societies (PCSs). One of the conditions prescribed in Para 1 (iv) in Annexure '2' in the said norms was that the minimum capacity of the warehouse (godowns) shall be 250 MT for accreditation and registration with the WDRA.

2. Representations have been received from some State Governments that there are a number of eligible godowns with smaller capacities where small and marginal farmer can keep their produce and get the benefit of the interest subvention scheme. The WDRA has consulted the NABARD, which has also recommended to reduce the norm of minimum capacity to 100 MT. The WDRA has now agreed to reduce the warehouse norm on the minimum capacity to 100 MT in place of 250 MT prescribed in earlier norms. The other norms and conditions for the accreditation and registration will, however, remain same as circulated vide letter ibid.

3. The application form, norms, list of the commodities and other details are also available on WDRA's website i.e. www.wdra.nic.in.

Yours sincerely,

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Director (Tech.)

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