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Date:23.12.2025

To,

Smt. Ruchi Ashish Agarwal
Kh. No. 113, Mouza- Mahalgaon,
Tah. Kamptee, Dist. Nagpur,
Nagpur, Maharashtra - 441104

ORDER

Order under Rule 33 of the Warehousing (Development & Regulation) Registration of Warehouses Rules,2017 for cancellation of registration certificate of Ruchi Agrawal Warehouse, (Address: Kh. No. 113, Mouza- Mahalgaon, Tah. Kamptee Dist. Nagpur, Nagpur, Maharashtra - 441104)

1. Whereas, Ruchi Agrawal Warehouse, (Address: Kh. No. 113, Mouza- Mahalgaon, Tah. Kamptee, Dist. Nagpur, Nagpur, Maharashtra - 441104) (WH ID 7094675) (hereinafter referred to as "said warehouse"), is a registered warehouse with Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (hereinafter referred to as "WDRA"), in terms of the provisions of the W(D&R) Act,2007 and Warehousing (Development & Regulation) Registration of Warehouses Rules,2017 (hereinafter referred to as "said rules").
2. Whereas, the registration certificate against the said warehouse was granted subject to adherence and compliance of the regulatory provisions under the W (D&R) Act, 2007, rules, regulations, notifications and guidelines/circulars issued thereunder, with respect to the said warehouse.
3. Whereas, vide e-mail dated 08.09.2025, CCRL (a registered repository with WDRA) informed WDRA that there might be certain discrepancies in the stock position of Ruchi Agrawal Warehouse (WH ID 7094675). As per their communication, the warehouseman, Smt. Ruchi Ashish Agarwal, had issued total 37 eNWRs out of which 36 eNWRs had been pledged for Rs. 18,11,36,700/- crore with State Bank of India (SBI) and Punjab & Sind Bank. Copy of eNWRs are enclosed herewith (Annexure-I).
4. Whereas, in view of the above information, WDRA then appointed an Inspecting Officer (from WDRA empanelled Agency Bureau Veritas) for conducting the Surprise Inspection of the said warehouse. WDRA also instructed CCRL to nominate their

- representative to be present during the inspection and also to ensure the presence of the pledgee banks and depositors. Accordingly, on 30.09.2025, the Inspecting Officer (Shri Babloon, Bureau Veritas), conducted the inspection in presence of CCRL representative (Shri Shankar Pardeshi), representative of State Bank of India (Shri Surnedh Khobragade), and representative of Punjab & Sind Bank (Shri Sandeep Hingorani). The Inspecting Officer subsequently submitted his report, highlighting the following findings: - (Annexure-II)
- a) The warehouse is registered with WDRA under WH ID 7094675, valid from 26/05/2025 to 25/05/2030. Name of the Warehouseman is Smt. Ruchi Ashish Agrawal.
 - b) The Warehouse is an Owned warehouse, and the owner of the warehouse is Smt Ruchi Agrawal.
 - c) The Warehouseman, Smt Ruchi Agrawal was not available at the date of Inspection. The Inspection was conducted in presence of security guard Sh. Shailendra Naresh Bodale.
 - d) Records like Test Check Statement, e-NWR detail, fumigation details, Insurance policy details were not provided by security guard Sh. Shailendra Naresh Bodale.
 - e) On Physical verification of stock, 19,419 bags of Tur, 21,209 bags of rice (making a total of 40,628 Bags) were found short.
5. As per the telephonic conversation held on 30.09.2025 between Shri Ashish Santosh Agrawal (Husband of Warehouseman Smt Ruchi Ashish Agrawal) and the Inspecting Officer, Shri Babloon, it was informed by Ashish Santosh Agrawal (Husband of Smt Ruchi Ashish Agrawal) that the warehouse named Ruchi Agrawal has been given on lease to Krishnathunga FPC Ltd., Raichur, Karnataka, for a period of five years commencing from 06.06.2025.
 6. Whereas, vide WDRA Office order dated 17.10.2025, an Enquiry Officer was appointed under Rule 33 of Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Registration of Warehouses Rules, 2017 to look into the matter of cancellation of registration certificate of Ruchi Agrawal Warehouse (WH ID 7094675), Kh. No. 113, Mouza-Mahalgao, Tah. Kamptee, Dist. Nagpur, Nagpur, Maharashtra – 441104.
 7. Whereas, a show cause notice dated 31.10.2025 under rule 33(3) of the said rules was issued to the warehousemen directing the warehouseman to submit a reply against the violations of various regulatory provisions mentioned in the show cause notice within 15 days, failing which the Authority may initiate further action as per the provisions of the W(D&R) Act,2007 and the Rules, Regulations framed thereunder.
 8. Whereas, the warehouseman furnished reply to WDRA against the said show cause notice dated 31.10.2025 vide an email dated 10.11. 2025. The same was duly examined and considered by the enquiry officer appointed in this regard.
 9. Whereas, further to above, the Enquiry Officer has submitted its report dated 28.11.2025 (Annexure-III) to the Authority concluding that the warehouseman had committed multiple violations of the provisions of the Act, the Rules, and the

Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (Electronic Negotiable Warehouse Receipts) Regulations, 2017, including failure to maintain control over the warehouse, failure to maintain accurate records, failure to adhere to general obligations of a warehouseman, mismatch of physical stock with records, and issuance of e-NWRs without corresponding stock.

10. The enquiry report submits that the warehouseman Smt. Ruchi Ashish Agarwal has violated the following provisions under the W(D&R) Act 2007 in reference to Ruchi Agarwal warehouse registered with WDRA vide WH ID 7094675.

(I) Rule 25(d), Rule 25(e), Rule 25(f), Rule 25(g), Rule 25(h), Rule 25(l) and Rule 28(1)(a) and 28 (1)(b) of the **Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Registration of Warehouses Rules, 2017**.

(II) Regulation 5(1), Regulation 9(5) of the **Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (Electronic Negotiable Warehouse Receipts) Regulations, 2017**.

(III) Section 6(1) & 6(3), Section 8, Section 10(4), Section 43(1) of the **Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007**

11. After carefully examining the inspection report dated 30.09.2025, the Enquiry Report dated 28.11.2025, along with reply dated 10.11.2025 furnished by the warehouseman Smt. Ruchi Ashish Agarwal and the records/documents placed before it, the Authority passes the following order:

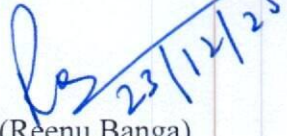
- a. The Authority concurs with the findings of the Enquiry Officer and is satisfied that the warehouseman has failed to comply with the mandatory statutory obligations under the Act as elaborated in the enquiry report and thus resolved to cancel the registration of Ruchi Agarwal warehouse, Kh. No. 113, Mouza-Mahalgaon, Tah. Kamptee, Dist. Nagpur, Nagpur, Maharashtra – 441104 (WH ID 7094675 under Rule 33 of the W (D&R) Registration of Warehouses Rules, 2017 with immediate effect.

1. The warehouseman has admitted in her reply that she had leased out the said warehouse and passed over the control to one M/s Krishnathunga warehouseman and Farmers Producers Company Ltd. for a period of 5 years vide lease/ rent agreement commencing from 06.06.2025, thereby relinquishing physical & operational control over the warehouse.
2. As per the requirement of rule 28 of the said rules, no intimation was ever made to the Authority by the warehouseman.
3. It is evident that the warehouseman is no longer able to demonstrate full ownership rights i.e. possession or control over the warehouse as per the requirement of the Act, with her. Thus, the registration certificate of the said warehouse is ordered to be cancelled in exercise of power under rule 33(1)(b) of the W(D&R) Registration of Warehouses Rules, 2017.

b. That, as per Rule 34 of the Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Registration of Warehouses Rules, 2017 the warehouseman, Smt. Ruchi Ashish Agarwal shall on and from the date of cancellation of the registration of the said warehouses:

1. cease to conduct the warehousing business in respect of Ruchi Agrawal Warehouse, Kh. No. 113, Mouza- Mahalgaon, Tah. Kamptee, Dist. Nagpur, Nagpur, Maharashtra – 441104, and
2. continue to discharge its obligations in respect of negotiable warehouse receipts issued by it
3. Ruchi Agrawal Warehouse (7094675), Kh. No. 113, Mouza- Mahalgaon, Tah. Kamptee, Dist. Nagpur, Nagpur, Maharashtra – 441104 is prevented from issuing any negotiable warehouse receipts.

12. If aggrieved by this order, Smt. Ruchi Ashish Agarwal (warehouseman) has the right to appeal before the Appellate Authority under Section 42 of the Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007, within Sixty (60) days, from the date of issuance of this order, in accordance with the procedure prescribed under the Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Appellate Authority Procedure Rules, 2010.


(Reenu Banga)
Dy. Director (SR&R)

Enclosures: as above