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LEGAL METROLOGY UNIT/ विधिक मापविज्ञान अनुभाग

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Date /दिनांक: 08.10.2026

To / सेवामें,

Controller of Legal Metrology
All States/UTs

Subject: Uniform implementation of the provisions relating to affixing of mandatory declarations under the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011 in respect of imported pre-packaged commodities – reg.

Ma'am/ Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to invite the kind attention to Rule 4 of the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011, as amended vide G.S.R. 418(E) dated 29th May, 2026, relating to the manner and place of making mandatory declarations on imported pre-packaged commodities.

2. The amendment has been carried out with the objective of facilitating legitimate trade while ensuring compliance with the provisions of the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011. It is also intended to promote ease of doing business without compromising consumer protection.

3. It is clarified that the mandatory declarations required under the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011 shall be made before clearance of the goods for home consumption and before such packages are offered for sale, distribution or delivery in the domestic market.

4. In order to ensure uniform implementation, the following may be adhered to by all field officers:

(i) In the case of importers holding Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) Tier 2 or Tier 3 status, mandatory declarations may be affixed at their approved importer premises, wherever such facility is permitted under the applicable Customs procedures and instructions issued by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC).

(ii) In the case of all other importers, mandatory declarations shall be affixed only in a Customs bonded warehouse under section 57 of Customs Act, 1962 or the importer's bonded warehouse licensed under section 58 of Customs Act, 1962, as permitted under Rule 4 of the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011 before clearance for home consumption.

5. It is requested to advise to all Legal Metrology Officers under your administrative control for strict compliance so as to ensure uniform implementation across the country and avoid unnecessary hardship to trade while safeguarding consumer interests.

Yours faithfully/आपका विश्वासपात्र

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