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Product Note for Black Pepper spot trading in IPSTA

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Annexure 1

Contract Specifications of Black Pepper 500 GL IPSTA designated Warehouse

| Commodity Details | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Commodity | Black Pepper 500 GL |
| Symbol | PPR |
| Description | Black Pepper of 500 GL |
| Contract Specifications | |
| Daily Contract | Sellers should deposit Pepper with the warehouse and only after that IPSTA will allow participation on the trading platform. Each buying and selling transaction will be settled on Trade to trade basis and result into compulsory delivery. |
| Trading Period | Monday to Friday |
| Trading Session | 10 AM to 3 PM |
| Trading Related Informat | ion |
| Trading Unit | 1 MT |
| Quotation / Base Value | Indian Rupees per Kg |
| Tick Size (minimum price movement) | 25 ps |
| Price Quote | IPSTA designated warehouse |
| Initial Margin | |
| Buyer Side | 5 % |
| Seller Side | NIL |
| Maximum Lot Size | 10 Tons |
| Delivery Related Informa | tion |
| Delivery Unit | 1 MT |
| Delivery Period Margin | NIL |
| Delivery Center(s) | IPSTA Designated Warehouse |
| Delivery Logic | |
| Packing | Size / quantity of each bag shall be of 50Kg net in new double poly woven bags / machine stitched. |
| Auction Related Details | |
| Symbol for Auction Buy-in | PPR |
| Symbol for Auction Sell-out | PPR |
| Auction Period | Spot |

Settlement Schedule:

| Particulars | Day | Pay-In | Pay-Out |
|------------------------|-----|--------|---------|
| | | | |
| Black Pepper – Normal | | T+1 | T+3 |
| Black Pepper – Auction | | T+1 | T+3 |

Details of Exchange Designated Warehouses and Approved Quality Assayer

Name of Quality Certificate Agency IPSTA Designated NABL Accredited

Laboratory.

Address of the Warehouse

: IPSTA Designated Warehouse

:

:

:

Email : info@ipstaindia.com

Warehouse timings : 10 a m TO 4 P M

Sampling and Quality Parameter

Sampling

Sampling shall be done on square root basis and by net opening the bags using a sampler through all corners.

Quality Parameters:

IPSTA GRADE

| | Quality Parameters | Test Method |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Moisture | 12.5% Maximum | |
| 2. Light Berries | Max up to 7% | |
| 3. Extraneous Matter | Max 1% | IS Method/FSSAI Lab Manual for |
| 4. Foreign Matter | Max 0.5% | Spices & Condiments:2021 |
| 5. Pin Heads | Below 2 mm Max 0.6% (300 gms/50 kgs bag) | IS1797-1985 RA- 2013 |
| 6. Bulk Density of the lot | Min 500 GL & above | IS1797-1985 RA- |
| 7. Bold Retention Percentage of the lot | On Perforated roundhole mesh 5mm, 4.25mm, 4.75mm | 2013 AOAC21 ST |
| 8. Mineral Oil | Absent | EDITION 987.07 |
| 9. Non-volatile ether extract (On Dry Basis) | Not less than 6% by weight | |
| 10. Volatile Oil (On Dry Basis) | Not less than 2% by v/w | |
| 11. Piperine (On Dry Basis) | Not less than 4% by weight | |
| 12. Mould | Max 1% for Inbound Max 3% for Outbound | ASTA Method:14 |

To undertake this 5 \times 500 gm sample has to be drawn in presence of the party in bags and tamper proof seals to be affixed with serial No. and sent to IPSTA Designated Accredited NABL laboratory:

Printed Bags

The product covered by this standard shall be printed on the bag in accordance with the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labelling) Regulation 2011. In addition, the forms of the product may also be mentioned on the printed bag. The name of the product shall be "Black Pepper".

The printed bag should consist of the following information.

(This is as per FSSAI rules)

Name of the product

Name of the manufacturer / packed by

Mobile Number

Gross weight

Nett weight

Packed MM/YYYY

Batch number (For identification purpose)

Best Before

For Industrial Use only

Not for direct consumption

Not for retail sale

Store in cool and dry place

Green dot denoting Vegetarian symbol.

Lot / Code identification: A lot number, batch number, code number is a mark of identification, and this has to be mentioned on the bags. This should enable in tracing out the manufacture and identified in the distribution. This must be mentioned on the Printed Bag.

Issuance of Warehouse Receipt:

Immediately upon receipt of stocks at warehouse, an acknowledgement will be issued for the stock received till the receipt of the lab test result is obtained. After the receipt of the lab test result with the confirmation of above specifications within limits the acknowledgement issued earlier shall be cancelled and E-NWR shall be issued by collecting the storage charges for the period from stock receipt to test report receipt. The same has to be deposited with IPSTA with Acknowledgement from the association.

Storage Charges:

As stipulated by Service Provider from time to time. 3 months Storage Charges to be fully Prepaid.

Validity of Quality Certificate:

The maximum period of validity of black pepper deposited in IPSTA designated warehouse will be three months. There will be a facility to re-validate the E-NWR for another three months after the initial period of deposit. Subject to the payment of revalidation charges & 3 months advance storage charges to the designated warehouse.

Stipulation:

Extension for further three months will be given subject to tests connected and solely at the discretion of the storage provider. Holders have to apply for revalidation at least 10 days prior to the expiry of the Lot.

Standard Deduction:

Outbound deduction of up to 300gm / bag of 50 kgs Net shall be allowed from the weight.

It may be noted that adjustment on account of reduction in moisture during revalidation and / or lifting of Goods shall be considered over and above the standard deduction.

Charges relating to Trading, Settlement and delivery.

Storage Charges: As stipulated by Service Provider from time to time.

A) Cost of transaction: In respect of Online Auction/ Spot Trading, delivery of Black Pepper the following charges shall be applicable:

| Sr. No. | Charges | Amount | Remarks |
|-------------------|---|--|--------------------------------|
| 1. | Transaction charges | (i)For IPSTA Members Rs. 1/kg | |
| | | (ii)For Direct Non- Members Rs. 2/kg. | |
| 2. | Delivery allocation / warehouse receipt transfer charges | As per Service Provider | |
| 3. | Insurance | As per Service Provider | |
| 4. | | | |
| | | | |
| <u>ran</u> | tional Delivery and QC chasaction Charges. Sampling and Quality certification charges | As per Service Provider/NABL Accredited Laboratory | commodities over and above the |
| <u>1.</u> | saction Charges. Sampling and Quality | As per Service Provider/NABL Accredited | commodities over and above the |
| <u>Ггап</u> 1. | saction Charges. Sampling and Quality certification charges Loading & Unloading | As per Service Provider/NABL Accredited Laboratory | commodities over and above the |
| <u>Γran</u> 1. 2. | saction Charges. Sampling and Quality certification charges Loading & Unloading | As per Service Provider/NABL Accredited Laboratory | commodities over and above the |

Procedure

Upon Receipt of E-NWR Seller/Depositor has to transfer the same to IPSTA Pool Account. Once the IPSTA Pool account is credited for the quantity deposited by the Seller/Depositor, IPSTA will allow the said Lot for Sale on IPSTA Platform, after the Successful sale of the Lot IPSTA upon receipt of the Payment from Buyer will release 95% of the amount on T+3 basis and balance 5% after successful upload by Seller/Depositor on GST Portal.

IPSTA will also deduct applicable charges & fees for the transaction.

Other Terms and conditions

The parties agree to be bound by the Terms and Conditions of use of IPSTA Platform as provided in the IPSTA Online Spot Trading/Auction Platform On Boarding Agreement. The parties acknowledge that they have read these Terms and Conditions and have agreed be bound by the same.

Delivery logic: Compulsory Spot delivery. Transactions on trade-to-trade basis will be permitted and all trades will result into compulsory delivery.

Mode of communication: Normal communication through E-Mail.

Taxes, Duties, Cess and Levies: Delivery by seller with GST bill with 5% GST to the buyer. The buyer shall be liable to pay GST on the purchase amount and the seller shall get the GST credit on submission of invoice to the buyer and copy to IPSTA. Delivery lifting charges are borne by the buyers. Sellers tendering commodity or Buyers taking delivery or their clients shall have necessary registration from the concerned tax and other authorities and obtain relevant licenses, if any, required by them. The member giving delivery and the member taking delivery will exchange appropriate tax forms as provided in law and as customary and neither of the parties will unreasonably refuse to do so. 5% GST amount will be withheld by IPSTA until the seller uploads the details on GST website & Buyer receives due Credit from GST Portal.

Deliverable grade of commodity: As per Annexure 1 (One)

Quality certificate should be visible to buyers as sellers display their respective lots for sale at the online platform.

Delivery allocation: Delivery will be allocated at client level after the pay-in of commodities.

Odd Lot Treatment: Deliveries must be in multiples of 1 MT with a tolerance limit of up to 300gm/bag.

Tax Invoice: The respective clients of members or the member himself in case he sells on this own account, after execution of sale shall have to raise invoice in triplicate- one copy for the onward delivery to the buyer, one copy to be sent to IPSTA and the third to be retained by the seller for his own records.

Sample Deposit and variable lot wise certificate: 2.5 Kgs per lot to be provided for sampling purposes. (To the assayers). Standardized Quality parameters certificate to be made available to the participants as features of the lot deposited.

The parties agree to be bound by the Terms and Conditions of use of IPSTA Platform as per Onboarding Agreement & Product Note. The parties acknowledge that they have read these Terms and Conditions and have agreed be bound by the same.

Warehouse, Insurance and Transportation charges: As specified in Annexure-3

Extension of delivery period: As per decision of IPSTA due to a force majeure or otherwise.

Legal obligation: The members will provide appropriate tax forms wherever required as per law and as customary and neither of the parties (Seller member and buyer member) will unreasonably refuse to do so.

Disputes

In case of any disputes, buyers shall, in writing, report to IPSTA within two working days, the nature of the complaint/ dispute and his grievance that is sought by him.

The seller, if he has any issues with regard to delivery matters, payment, security of goods, may address the same to IPSTA within two working days.

All disputes shall be settled by arbitration maximum within two weeks. The Arbitrator/s shall be appointed by IPSTA on receipt of complaint. The decision of the arbitrator/s will be final and binding on all parties.

Cost of Arbitration to be borne equally by Buyer & Seller.

In case of default in payment by the buyer participant of any confirmed trade, IPSTA shall, at the request of the seller participant, facilitate re-sale of the goods within 15 days from default by the buyer participant, and on culmination of such re-sale, if the seller participant incurs any loss, the liability on IPSTA to the seller participant shall be limited to the maximum of the Margin money amount collected from the defaulting buyer participant prior to the Original bid, relating to the said transaction.

Annexure 7

Contract Specifications of IPSTA Farm Grade Black Pepper 500 GL Seller Warehouse

| Commodity Details | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Commodity | Black Pepper 500 GL |
| Symbol | PPRF |
| Description | Black Pepper of 500 GL |
| Contract Specifications | |
| Daily Contract | Seller will offer their Pepper from their Own Warehouse. Each buying & selling transaction will be settled on Trade to Trade basis and result into compulsory delivery. |
| Trading Period | Monday to Friday |
| Trading Session | 10 AM to 3 PM |
| Trading Related Informat | ion |
| Trading Unit | 1 MT |
| Quotation / Base Value | Indian Rupees per Kg |
| Tick Size (minimum price movement) | 25 ps |
| Price Quote | Seller's warehouse |
| Initial Margin | |
| Buyer Side | 5 % |
| Seller Side | 10% of the Benchmark Price (Average of Previous Month's Ungarble Black Pepper Rate) |
| Maximum Lot Size | 10 Tons |
| Delivery Related Information | tion |
| Delivery Unit | 1 MT |
| Delivery Period Margin | NIL |
| Delivery Center(s) | Seller's Warehouse |
| Delivery Logic | |
| Packing | Size / quantity of each bag shall be of 50Kg net in new double poly woven bags / machine stitched. Loading point Weight will be final. |
| Auction Related Details | |
| Symbol for Auction Buy-in | PPRF |
| Symbol for Auction Sell-out | PPRF |
| Auction Period | Spot |

IPSTA FARM Grade Quality Parameters:

Non-ENWR Receipt (Physical Receipt)

| | Quality Parameters | Test Method |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Moisture | 13% Maximum | |
| 2. Light Berries | Max upto 7% | |
| 3. Extraneous Matter | Max 1% | IS Method/FSSAI Lab Manual for |
| 4. Foreign Matter | Max 0.5% | Spices & Condiments:2021 |
| 5. Pin Heads | Below 2 mm Max 0.7% (400 gms/50 kgs bag) | IS1797-1985 RA- 2013 |
| 6. Bulk Density of the lot | Min 500 GL & above | IS1797-1985 RA- |
| 7. Bold Retention Percentage of the lot | On Perforated roundhole mesh 5mm, 4.25mm, 4.75mm | 2013 AOAC21 ST |
| 8. Mineral Oil | Absent | EDITION 987.07 |
| 9. Mould | Max 2% for Inbound Max 3% for Outbound | ASTA Method: 14 |

Sampling

Has to be done on Square root basis and by net opening the bags using a sampler through all corners. To undertake this 5×500 gms sample is to be drawn in presence of Seller/Depositor and sealed in bags with tamper proof seals to be affixed with serial No. and sent to any NABL Accredited Laboratory, with a request to arrange the lab test for the following parameters-

Printed Bags.

The product covered by this standard shall be printed on the bag in accordance with the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labelling) Regulation 2011. In addition, the forms of the product may also be mentioned on the printed bag. The name of the product shall be "Black Pepper".

The printed bag should consist of the following information.

(This is as per FSSAI rules)

Name of the product

Name of the manufacturer / packed by

Mobile Number

Gross weight

Nett weight

Packed MM/YYYY

Batch number (For identification purpose)

Best Before

For Industrial Use only

Not for direct consumption

Not for retail sale

Store in cool and dry place

Green dot denoting Vegetarian symbol.

Lot / Code identification: A lot number, batch number, code number is a mark of identification, and this has to be mentioned on the bags. This should enable in tracing out the manufacture and identified in the distribution. This must be mentioned on the printed bag.

Issuance of Acceptance Receipt:

Once the lot passes as per IPSTA specifications, the IPSTA designated NABL Accredited Laboratory will issue the Certificate of the same. Based on the Certificate IPSTA will allow the lot to be traded on the platform. The buyer has to physically lift the goods once the Lot is sold on the platform and cannot reoffer the same on IPSTA platform.

Settlement Schedule:

| Particulars | Day | Pay-In | Pay-Out |
|-------------------------|-----|--------|---------|
| | | | |
| Black Pepper – Normal | | T+1 | T+5 |
| Black Pepper – Auction | | T+1 | T+5 |
| Black Pepper – Delivery | T+3 | | |

PROCEDURE

Seller has to inform IPSTA by e-mail 2 days in advance about the Lot he wishes to Tender for E-Auction. On receipt of the e-mail the designated Laboratory will be informed to Draw the sample. The sample will be drawn on square root basis from the Lot. The Lot is to be restacked and sealed in the presence of laboratory representative. On receipt of complying result from the laboratory Lot will be allowed to be traded on the E-Auction platform by paying necessary margins. The seller has to ensure the seal remains intact throughout this process.

After the Successful sale of the Lot IPSTA will collect the Payment from the Buyer and Release the same to the seller on T+5 basis the delivery process is to be completed on T+3 basis and Margins will be released only thereafter.

IPSTA will also deduct applicable charges & fees for the transaction.

Laboratory Testing and Sealing Charges to be paid by Seller.

Additional Terms & Conditions as per Annexure 5 & 6 as applicable.

Validity of IPSTA Farm Grade Black Pepper:

The maximum period of validity of Black Pepper Lot in seller's warehouse will be 60 days.

Weighment:

At Actuals at The Time of Loading.

Disputes:

In case of default by either participant of any confirmed trade, IPSTA shall, facilitate re-sale of the goods within 15 days from default, and on culmination of such re-sale, if the participant incurs any loss, the liability on IPSTA the participant shall be limited to the maximum of the Margin money amount collected from the defaulting participant, based on the Original bid price relating to the said transaction

I) Norms for IPSTA Warehouse Delivery Centre.

- 1) Building should be of permanent nature.
- 2) Roof should be free from any leaks.
- 3) Floor should be free from any crevices and dampness.
- 4) The building and stock should be insured.
- 5) Adequate lighting should be available
- 6) The compound should be secured by a boundary wall.
- 7) The goods offered for sample should be stacked on pallets.
- 8) There should not be a poultry or animal farm in the compound.
- 9) 10 tons trucks should have access to the godown.
- 10) Loading charges upto truck to be borne by seller.
- 11) Covered area for loading is required.
- 12) Periodic pest control measures are to be taken up.
- 13) CCTV surveillance is required at all times.
- 14) Facility to weigh (weighing scale) is required with valid stamping by weights and measures should be available.
- 15) Hand washing and toilet facility should be available at the compound.
- 16) First Aid should be available.
- 17) Stitching Machine and Power should be available.
- 18) IPSTA shall be provided a sketch of the facility being approved.
- 19) Fire & Safety (Minimum 1 Fire Extinguisher should be there in the Godown.)

II) Preliminary Conditions to be shared before Warehouse Inspection.

- 1. Copy of Sketch of the Building.
- 2. External and Internal photographs of the Building.
- 3. Copy of Insurance Policy for the Building and Stock.
- 4. Copy of Pest Control contract/copy of recent Pest Control services done.
- 5. Copy of Stamping Certificate received from Weights & Measures dept for Weighing Scale.

III) <u>Inspection Agency Bureau Veritas.</u>

Their charges to be paid by the Seller at actuals.

Present rate for South India Rs. 5000/- per godown + 18% GST.

Rest of India depending on the distance from nearest office.