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**Executive Director** 



Ref.: NSAI/2016/080

Date: 21-06-2016

To, The Secretary. Consumer Affairs, Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution. New Delhi

Dear Sir,

Sub: Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) (Amendment) Rules, 2015 – Reg.

Ref: 1) Gazette Notification No. G.S.R.385 (E) dated 14-05-2015 of Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Department of Consumer Affairs, Legal Metrology Division, New Delhi.

- 2) Letter dated 29-12-2015 of Director of Legal Metrology, Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Govt. of India, New Delhi
- 3) Our letter No. NSAI/2016/052, dated, 20-04-2016

We are grateful to the Legal Metrology Division, Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of India for extending date for implementation of the notification, 1st cited, till 30-06-2016.

In this connection, we state that, unlike other industries, sale and sowing of seeds season starts from May for Kharif and goes on till September and, for the Rabi season, the sale and sowing commences from September and goes on till December. Therefore, being a seasonal activity, packing of seeds takes place from May to September for Kharif and September to December for Rabi season.

In view of the above, extension of time, granted in the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited upto 30-06-2016, could be useful for other industries but not of help to the seed industry, as use of existing packing material in respect of seeds will continue till December and will not be ex

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Few of our member companies have approached us stating that that they could not exhaust the earlier stock of packaging materials and need further six months extension till December, 2016.

Please find below, the name of our member seed companies who have applied for the extension.

- 1. Seed Works
- 2. UPL Advanta
- 3. Kirtiman Agrogenetics
- 4. Western Agri Genetics
- 5. Enza Zaden India Pvt. Ltd.
- 6. Nuziveedu Seeds Ltd.
- 7. Prabhat Agri Biotech Ltd.
- 8. Pravardhan Seeds Pvt. Ltd.
- 9. Asian Agri Genetics Ltd.
- 10. Fortune Hybrid Seeds Ltd.
- 11. Yaaganti Seeds Pvt. Ltd.

We humbly request you to kindly consider the attached representation from our member seed companies for extension of notification till December, 2016.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Kalyan B. Goswami