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GOVERNMENT OF BALOCHISTAN
INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE
DEPARTMENT

CIVIL SECRETARIAT BLOCK-03, ZARGHOON ROAD, QUETTA

OUR FAITH, CORRUPTION FREE PAKISTAN

Dated Quetta the 7th October, 2023

NOTIFICATION

No.SO-(E-II)/IND/3-7/A/2022/PS-1340-53 In supersession of earlier SOP notification No. SO(COM)/IND/1-1/A/2023/311-57 dated 20th April, 2023, the Government of Balochistan, Industries & Commerce Department, is pleased to revise the existing Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for checking unauthorized/ unfair trade and smuggling of sugar in Balochistan.

- i. The Federal Government, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (a) of Section 2 of the Price Control & Prevention and Hoarding Act, 1977 (XXXIX of 1977) and vide SRO(1)/2001 dated 14th September, 2006, has authorized the following officers to exercise the powers of **Controller-General of Prices and Supplies** under clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 3 of ibid Act, within their respective jurisdiction:
 - a. Secretary Industries & Commerce Department
 - b. Director Industries, Provincial Government
 - c. All District Coordination Officers/ DCs
- ii. All sugar dealers are required to get their dealership registered in the office of the Director General Industries & Commerce, Quetta on the recommendation of Deputy Commissioner of the concerned district, whereas, the sugar dealers of Quetta will get themselves registered directly in the office of Director General Industries Quetta. Any other unregistered sugar dealer or business is liable to be seized.
- iii. The genuineness of NOC/Permit before its seizure; confirmation from the concerned DC/ Directorate of Industries & Commerce (Destination District) to be obtained.
- iv. Sugar Dealers are required to invariably report the number and location of their shops, sale points, warehouses / godowns and plots etc. in Balochistan, and report the same to the concerned department, i.e Deputy Commissioner of concerned district or Directorate of Industries for Quetta.
- v. After establishment of web portal, all supplies of sugar consignments inbound to districts of Balochistan shall be deemed to be un-authorized/illegal /un-fair trade if the truck/vehicle carrying sugar is not reported to the Industries Department Web Portal and does not have proper documentation such as NOC from the Directorate of Industries, Balochistan, mentioning name and address of dealer or warehouse etc, to prove its disposal at destination. Similarly, all other supplies of sugar from the sugar mills should be shipped into Balochistan by sugar mills/ dealers, with proper documentation such as signed stamps of the Track and Trace department of FBR, especially designed for tracking the sugar consignments etc. to prove its legal disposal at destination that too with proper NOC issued by the Directorate of Industries & Commerce, Balochistan, Quetta.
- vi. The procurement of sugar purchased upto 50 bags per dealer from the dealers of other provinces viz, Sind, Punjab and KPK by sugar businessmen of Balochistan, for sale among the dealers in the bordering districts of Sind, Punjab and KPK(i.e. Sohbatpur, Usta Muhammad, Jaffarabad, Dera Bugti, sherani, Musakhel, Barkhan, Hub) is exempted from NOC of Industries Department and will only be allowed if such transaction is acknowledged by the District Administration through the issuance of NOC by concerned DC but should not exceed the fixed monthly quota. However, all other supplies of sugar carrying more than 50 bags will be dealt as per requirements mentioned in para 1(v) of the SOP. DC of the above district will make sure their daily update to DG I&C office.
- vii. Inter District shipment/ transportation of sugar is subject to valid NOC/Permit issued by I&C Directorate, adding/ subtracting District Quota of both Districts (i.e origin & destination district)
- viii. The seized quantities of sugar by customs Authorities shall be dealt as per Customs laws.

- ix. The District Administrations in consultation with the Industries and Commerce Department shall assess / quantify the requirement of each district and shall also carry out track and traceability operation in their respective districts to ensure proper utilization of sugar in their respective districts.
 - x. Sugar companies / businessmen and dealers shall be bound to report their inventories, stored quantity in shops, warehouses, storage areas and plots, invoices and details of purchasers etc. to the District Administration and Industries and Commerce Department.
 - xi. Save as otherwise provided the stock of sugar will be utilized by the sugar dealers within a month from the date of issuance of NOC. Failing which the same would be deemed as hoarding and dealers would be dealt in accordance with relevant laws.
 - xii. The quantities of sugar seized by the District Administration under Price Control & Prevention and Hording Act, 1977 will be auctioned by District Administration in consultation with the Directorate of Industries & Commerce, Quetta. The amount collected on account of auction of sugar will be deposited in Government of Balochistan Head of Account C03549.
 - xiii. Without prejudice to the generality of all above and keeping in view the peculiar circumstances of Balochistan sugar dealers shall be afforded opportunity of personal hearing before formal seizure of sugar and verification/ clarification from Directorate of Industries, Quetta.
 - xiv. Before issuance of NOC/ permit against the auctioned sugar by Customs Authorities, prior approval of Secretary Industries & Commerce is mandatory.
 - xv. Notwithstanding anything contained in any para of SOP, once NOC/permit is issued by the office of Director General Industries & Commerce, neither Law enforcing agencies nor Custom Authorities can question the scope/ jurisdiction within the province or outside the province.
2. This SOP should be followed by all organizations and departments concerned with monitoring sugar supplies, controlling unfair trade, overpricing, hoarding, profiteering and smuggling of sugar, in Balochistan.
 3. All Departments in para 2 shall be in contact with Industries & Commerce to implement decisions of Sugar Advisory Board (SAB), issued from time to time.

**SECRETARY
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A copy is forwarded to the: -

1. Secretary, Government of Pakistan, M/O Industries & Production, Islamabad.
2. Secretary, Government of Pakistan, M/O National Food Security & Research, Islamabad.
3. Additional Chief Secretary, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Balochistan
4. Inspector General, (North and South), FC Balochistan
5. Inspector General, Police Balochistan
6. Principal Secretary to Chief Minister Balochistan
7. The Collector Customs, Collectorate of Customs (Enforcement), Custom House Quetta
8. Director General, Industries & Commerce, Balochistan Quetta
9. All Commissioners, Balochistan_____
10. Additional Secretary (staff) to Chief Secretary, Balochistan
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