

PALMYRA FIBRE (GRADING AND MARKING) RULES, 1964

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In exercise of the powers conferred by Sec. 3 of the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) Act, 1937 (1 of 1937), the Government hereby makes the following rules, the same having been published as required by the said section, namely:

1. Short Title and Application :-

- (1) These Rules may be called the Palmyra Five (Grading and Marking) Rules, 1964.
- (2) They shall apply to palmyra Fibre obtained from palms (Borassus Lion) produced in India.

Note.- It is now well settled that marginal note is a part of the It is key to open mind of the legislature affording guidance in understanding their intendments.

2. Definitions :-

In these rules-

- (i) 'Agricultural Marketing Adviser' means the Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India;
- (ii) 'Schedllle' means a Schedule appended to these rules.

3. Grade Desingations :-

Grade designations to indicate the quality of palmyra fibre shall as set out in column I of Schedules II and III.

4. MR of Quality :-

The quality indicated by the respective grade shaD be as set out against each grade designation in columns 2 to 5 of Schedulesand III.

This mie prescribes the definition of quality which should conform to columns 2 to 5 of Schedules II and III.

5. Grade Designation Marks :-

The grade designation mark shall consist of a label specifying the grade designation and bearing a design (consisting of an outline map of India with the word "AGMARK" and the Figure of the rising sun, with the words "Produce of India*" and resembling the one as set out in Schedule 1.)

6. Method of Marking :-

(i) The grade designation mark shall be securely affixed to each package in a manner approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser and shall dearly show the following particulars, namely:-

- (a) Grade designation.
- (b) Trade description.
- (c) Year of harvest.
- (d) Date of packing.

(ii) An authorised packer may after obtaining the prior approval of the Agricultural Marketing Adviser, mark his private trade mark on the package, in a manner approved by the said Officer, provided that the private trade mark does not represent quality or grade of palmyra Fibre different from that indicated by the grade designation mark affixed to the package in accordance with these rules.

7. Method of Packing :-

(i) Palmyra Fibre shall be packed in bales or ballots such weights as may be approved by the Agricultural Marketing

Adviser.

(ii) Each package shall contain fibre of one grade designation only.

(iii) Each package shall contain fibres of only one length or an assortment of not more than three lengths in equal proportions when required.

(iv) Only sound, clean and dry packing material such as may be approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser shall be used for packing of palmyra fibres.

8. Special conditions of certificate of authorisation :-

In addition to the conditions specified in rule 4 of the General (Grading and Marking) Rules, 1937, the following special conditions shall be observed by the packers to the satisfaction of the Agricultural Marketing Adviser, namely. An authorised packer shall provide all facilities to the Inspecting Officer duly authorised by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser in this behalf for sampling, testing and such other matters as may be necessary.

This rule lays down that in addition to general conditions laid down in rule 4 of the General (Grading and Marking) Rules, 1937, the authorised packer shall provide all facilities to the Inspecting Officer for sampling, testing and such other matter as may be necessary.

SCHEDULE 1

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(See rule 5) Grade designation Mark for packages of Palmyra Fibre .

SCHEDULE 2

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(See rule 3 and rule 4) Grade designations and definition of "Undyed (Natural) Palmyra Fibre"
_____ Special Characteristics designation Colour Stiffness As represented R
of fibres dirt, dust and other foreign matter. of 2.5 cm length per 10 gms. (Maximum) (Maximum)%
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Extra Stiff (ESU) \. Dark Blackish May include 20 \ 0.25 \ The fibres shall be not more than 5 per cent of reasonably dry. stiff brownish to include not more than of medium stiff brownish to whitish fibres. \ 25 \ 0.25 \ They shall reasonably be free from knots, \ \ \ \ spots and mould. Medium Stiff (MSU) Dark Brownish May include not 30 0.50 more than 25 per cent of soft brownish to whitish fibres. For accident be admissible in respect of stiffness. Soft (SFU) Brownish to 40 1.00 Whitish.

SCHEDULE 3

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(See rule 3 and rule 4) Grade designations and definition of Quality of "Dyed Palmyra Fibre"
_____ Special Charact
_____ Grade General Characteristics designation Colour Stiffness As represented R
Shall include pithy matter, by the number of the fibres dirt, dust and other foreign matter. of 2.5 cm length per 10 gms. include pithy mat accidental (Maximum) errors in grading, a tolerance of 5 per cent. will be admissible in respect of stiffness. for accidental errors in gradin brownish fibres in black colour fibres and vice versa WIII be admissible to the extent of 5 per cent. (Maximum)
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Btock(ESD) Black 20 0.25 The fibre shall be reason- prime Stiff Black (PSD) - 25 0.25 ably dry and be free from Medium Stiff Blact(MSD) moulds. SoftBtack(SFD) 40 1.00 Exna Stiff Biwn(ESB) Brown 20 0.25 Prime Stiff Brown(PSB) " 25 0.25 McdnuB Stiff Brown (MSB) 30 0.5 (SFB) 40 1.00