

## **TENDU (BIDI WRAPPER) LEAF (GRADING AND MARKING) RULES, 1963**

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

### **1. Short title and application :-**

- (1) These rules may be called the Tendu (Bidi Wrapper) Leaf (Grading and Marking) Rules, 1963.
- (2) They shall apply to Tendu (Bidi Wrapper) leaf obtained from the tree of *Diospyros melanoxylon*, grown in India.

### **2. Definitions :-**

In these rules,

- (1) "Agricultural Marketing Adviser" means the Agricultural Marketing Adviser to the Government of India',
- (2) 'Schedule' means a Schedule appended to these rules.

### **3. Grade designations :-**

\_\_\_The grade designations to indicate the quality of Tendu leaf shall be as set out in column I of Schedule II.

#### **4. Quality :-**

\_\_\_The quality indicated by the grade designation shall be as set out against each grade designation in columns 2 to 5 of Schedule II.

#### **5. Grade designation marks :-**

The grade designation mark to be affixed to each package shall consist of a label bearing the design set out in Schedule I specifying the grade designation.

#### **6. Method of Marking :-**

(1) The grade designation mark shall be securely affixed to each package in a manner approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser.

(2) In addition to the grade designation mark, each package shall be clearly marked with such particulars as may be specified by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser.

(3) 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 Tendu (bidi wrapper) leaf different from that indicated by the grade designation mark affixed to the package in accordance with these rules.

#### **7. Method of packing :-**

(1) Only sound and clean gunny or such other materials as may be approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser shall be used for packing, and the packing material shall be free from any insect infestation or fungus contamination or from any undesirable smell.

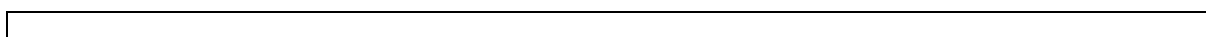
(2) The packages shall be securely closed and scaled in a manner approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser.

(3) Each package shall contain Tendu (bidi wrapper) leaf of one grade designation only.

(4) Tendu leaves shall be packed in a package of customary weight and bare as may be approved by the Agricultural Marketing Adviser.

#### **SCHEDULE 1**

#### **SCHEDULE I**



(See rule 5) .

SCHEDULE 2

SCHEDULE II

Grade designation and definition of quality of Tendu leaf				
Grade Designation	Colour	Texture	Size, shape, body and condition	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Fancy	Greenish or	Medium	20.3 cm x 10.2 cm and above. Good	May contain 10 per cent. of leaves of grade
	Greenish white	Texture	body leaves, free from hairs, mould, dirt and holes, with depressed and	"Extra Special".
			few veins. Soft but not too dry or brittle.	
Extra	Greenish	Do.	17.8 cm x 7.6 cm and above. Good	May contain 20 per cent of leaves of grade .
Special	white or Greenish Yellow.		body leaves, free from hairs, mould, dirt and holes, with depressed veins.	"Good" and 5 per cent of lower dimension leaves of other grades.
			Soft but not too dry or brittle.	
Special . . .	Greenish	Do.	Mixed sizes and shapes. Good body	May contain 20 per cent of leaves of Grade
	white or Greenish yellow		leaves free from hairs, mould, dirt and holes, with depressed veins.	"Good".
			Soft but not too dry or brittle. .	
Good . . .	Dull Green	Fair to-	15.2 cm x 7.6 cm. and above. Body	Should contain at least 20 per cent leaves of
	to Reddish/	thick tex	of leaves, semi-coarse, to coarse,	grade 'Extra Special' and contain upto 10
	Brownish tinge.	ture.	slightly hairy or velvety with slightly	per cent of leaves of grade 'Standard'.
			prominent veins. Mould, blemish	
			and holes together	

			not exceeding 5	
			per cent of the total area. Soft but	
			not too brittle.	
Standard	Dark Green	Thick	15.2 cm x 7.6 cm. and above. Coarse	Should contain at least 20 per cent leaves of
	to Reddish/	texture.	body leaves, hairy or velvety, with	grade 'Good' May contain upto 10 per cent
	Brownish tinge.		slightly prominent veins, mould,	of leaves of Grade "Fair".
			blemish and holes together not	
			exceeding 5 per cent of the total	
			area. Soft but not too brittle.	
Fair	Brownish	Thick	15.2 cm x 7.6 cm and above. Body of	Should contain at least 20 per cent leaves of
	to Reddish	texture	leaves coarse, hairy and velvety with	Grade 'Standard' May contain upto 10 per
	Brown		prominent veins, uneven or wrinkled	cent leaves of Grade "General".
			surface: Mould, blemish and holes	
			together not exceeding 20 per cent	
			of the total area. May be slightly	
			brittle.	
General	Mixed	Mixed	Mixed sizes and shapes, mixed body	Should contain at least 20 per cent leaves
	colour	texture	leaves, hairy and velvety, with pro	of Grade "Fair".
			minent veins, uneven or wrinkled	
			surface. Mould, blemish and holes	
			together not exceeding 30 per cent	
			of the total area,	

