



TEA BOARD
14, Biplabi Trailokya Maharaj Sarani
Kolkata - 700001

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NOTIFICATION

As per sub-para(iii) of Paragraph 6 of the Food Safety Standard (Packaging & Labeling) Regulations, 2011, where an article of food is imported into India, the package of food shall also carry the name and complete address of the importer in India and where any food article manufactured outside India is packed or bottled in India, the package containing such food article shall also bear on the label, **the name of the country of origin of the food article and the name and complete address of the importer and the premises of packing or bottling in India.**

As per records of the Board, 60.35 M.kgs of teas have been imported into India in the last three years out of which only 23.43 M.kgs have been re-exported which underlines the fact that the rest 36.92 M.kgs of imported teas have been sold in India.

As per Paragraph 13(3) of the Tea (Marketing) Control Order, 2003, the Registering Authority has the power to issue directions which are relevant for carrying out the object of the Control Order.

As per sub-para (1)(d) of Paragraph 6 of the Tea (Marketing) Control Order, 2003 failure to carry out any direction of the Registering Authority may lead to cancellation or suspension of the registration of a Buyer.

Since it has come to notice of the Board that **teas imported into India are sold without complying, Food Safety Standard (Packaging & Labeling) Regulations, 2011**, all such Buyers who have been registered under Paragraph 4 of the Tea (Marketing) Control Order, 2003 are hereby directed to forthwith comply Paragraph 6 of the Food Safety

Standard (Packaging & Labeling) Regulations, 2011 while selling imported tea in India failing which appropriate action would be taken as per the provisions of Tea (Marketing) Control Order, 2003.



(P.K.Sahoo)

Deputy Chairman Tea Board &
Registering Authority

To

All Registered Buyers under Tea (Marketing) Control Order, 2003

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