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TO: ALL MEMBER COMPANIES

Tea Board Orders on Plucking, Processing of Green Leaf, Packing and Movement of Made Tea

Members are informed that Tea Board has issued two Orders specifying the cut off dates of implementation for activities pertaining to plucking, processing, packing and movement of tea in exercise of powers conferred under Clause 13(3) of the Tea (Marketing) Control Order, 2003 and based on a decision taken by the Board and ratified in the 237th Board meeting held on 26.09.2018.

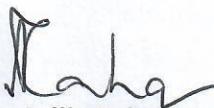
The details are as follows:

Sl	Details	Brahmaputra Valley	Barak Valley & Tripura	Dooars & Terai	Darjeeling
	Order No & Date	Ref.No. 7(15)/GHY/TMCO/2003/339 dated 15/07/2024		Ref.No. 12(17)/LC/2008/Part-III/502 dated 15/07/2024	
i	Last Date of plucking /receiving of green leaves for all tea factories	30 th November, 2024	30 th November, 2024	30 th November, 2024	30 th November, 2024
ii	Last Date of processing of Green Leaf at the factory for all units	2 nd December, 2024	2 nd December, 2024	2 nd December, 2024	2 nd December, 2024
iii	Last Date for intimation/declaration to Tea Board by all tea manufacturing units regarding closure of their manufacturing	3 rd December, 2024	3 rd December, 2024	3 rd December, 2024	3 rd December, 2024
iv	Last Date for completion of sorting, gapping, packing (CTC & Orthodox/Green Teas) and moving the packed teas to notified packed tea storage area with invoice marking	13 th December, 2024 (for CTC tea manufacturing) 18 th December, 2024 (for Orthodox/Green Tea manufacturing)	13 th December, 2024 (for CTC tea manufacturing) 18 th December, 2024 (for Orthodox/Green Tea manufacturing)	13 th December, 2024 (for CTC tea manufacturing) 18 th December, 2024 (for Orthodox/Green Tea manufacturing)	13 th December, 2024

Tea Board has further stated the following:

- Failure to comply with the above Orders would invite necessary action as per Clause 5 (1) (d) of the Tea (Marketing) Control Order, 2003.
- Gardens adopting non-traditional pruning/cultivation practices and expecting early crop as well as manufacturers of orthodox, green and specialty teas may seek exemption from respective office of Tea Board.
- Officers not below the rank of Asst. Director, Tea Development are authorized to issue exemption order after due field verification with intimation to Tea Board Head Office.
- Any request for exemption will be disposed of within 5 working days from the date of receipt.

Copies of the Tea Board Orders referred above are attached for members' information and compliance.



Arijit Raha
Secretary General

Encl: As stated

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