

21<sup>st</sup> December 2017

**The Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) (Amendment) Rules, 2017 vide Notification No. GSR 629(E) dated 23rd June, 2017- Advisory for smooth Implementation**

It is for kind information of the members that ASSOCHAM submitted representation to the Ministry of Consumer Affairs on The Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) (Amendment) Rules, 2017 vide Notification No. GSR 629(E) dated 23rd June, 2017 for smooth Implementation and followed it vigorously with the Ministry. The Legal Metrology Division of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution wide its notification dated 19/12/2017 has allowed the industries to use the old packaging material till 31/03/2018 or till such date the packing material or wrapper is exhausted whichever is earlier to enable old stock to be cleared. However affixing of a sticker or stamping or online printing or using a lag to make declaration as per the fond size indicated in the rules shall be done.

Scanned copy of the notification is attached herewith.

**Secretary**

**WM-10(65) /2017**  
Government of India  
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution  
Department of Consumer Affairs  
**Legal Metrology Division**

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated: 19.12.2017

To,

The Controllers of Legal Metrology,  
All States/ UTs

**Subject:** The Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) (Amendment) Rules, 2017 vide Notification No. GSR 629(E) dated 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2017- Advisory for smooth Implementation - regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to the amendment made in the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011 vide GSR 629(E) dated 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2017 and notified to come into force w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2018.

2. This is to inform that representations have been received from many Industries and Industry Associations that industry has huge inventory of packaging material which complies with the old rules in respect of font sizes in labeling requirements.

3. It has therefore, been decided to allow the industries to use the old packaging material till 31.03.2018 or till such date the packing material or wrapper is exhausted, whichever is earlier, to enable old stocks to be cleared. However affixing of a sticker or stamping or online printing or using a tag to make the declarations as per the font size indicated in the rules shall be done. This advisory is being issued to ensure smooth transition accordingly.

4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully



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