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Government of India  
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution  
Department of Food & Public Distribution

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated the 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

To,

Indian Sugar Mills Association,  
Ansal Plaza, C Block, 2nd Floor  
Andrews Ganj, August kranti Marg, New Delhi.

National Federation of Cooperative Sugar Factories Limited,  
Ansal Plaza, C Block, 2nd Floor  
Andrews Ganj, August kranti Marg, New Delhi.

Subject: Use of bamboo mats by sugar mills.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of email dated 25.11.2020 from Additional Secretary, National Bamboo Mission, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare forwarding therewith a representation dated 23.11.2020 received from Kerala State Bamboo Corporation Limited for recommending the use of bamboo mats by Food Corporation of India, sugar mills and Central Warehouse Corporation.

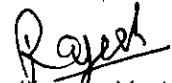
2. In the representation, Kerala State Bamboo Corporation Limited has stated that due to Covid 19, production and sales of bamboo ply are in acute crisis and sale of commercial bamboo mats have been stagnated resulting in financial crisis for the sector. They quoted the following rates:

Mat size	12feet * 6 feet	6feet* 4feet
Price (F.O.R. Angamaly)	Rs. 649/-	Rs. 177/-

3. In view of the foregoing, ISMA/ NFCSF is kindly requested to encourage their member sugar mills to promote the use of bamboo mats and may consider procuring these mats from Kerala State Bamboo Corporation Limited.

Encl: as above.

Yours faithfully,



(Rajesh Kumar Yadav)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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