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Government of Tripura
Directorate of Food, Civil Supplies & CA
P.N. Complex, Gurkhabasti, Agartala

the 21st December, 2017.

To

All Sub-Divisional Magistrates.

Subject: Restriction in bifurcation of F.P. Shops.

Sir,


You are aware, consequent upon implementation of on-line PDS supply-chain management (FEAST), data relating to ration cards are digitally mapped with the concerned ration shop and the entire operation is being controlled from NIC HQ, New Delhi. Since the mapping of F.P. Shops have already been done for the implementation of Aadhaar-based sales transactions through ePOS devices, it will be difficult to entertain any such request of bifurcation at this juncture.

2. The Department follows a strict norm that no proposal for bifurcation of F.P. Shop will be considered unless both the F.P. Shops i.e. original one & the proposed new one have at least 500 (five hundred) ration cards in urban/rural areas and 400 (four hundred) in ADC areas. Earlier, on many occasions such F.P. Shops have been created without following the card strength criteria and as a result of which such F.P. Shop owners are facing difficulty to maintain day-to-day business and also for sustaining their livelihood.

3. It has been recently noticed that many Sub-Divisional Authority are sending proposals for bifurcation without following above norm and if such request is acceded than both the F.P. Shops will lose their financial viability. Moreover, the situation may compel the F.P. Shop Dealers to indulge in irregular activities not in the interest of consumers but only for maintaining the financial viability.

4. Under above context, all Sub-Divisional Magistrates are requested to strictly follow the norm and also take initiative for merger of F.P. Shop having card strength less than 200, if possible. However, initiatives may be taken to open up extension counters for those F.P. Shops having mapped ration cards scattered in distant areas / newly set up tribal hamlets / tribal villages created through the process of regrouping etc. for the convenience of the consumers of that locality.

Yours faithfully,


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