SPICES BOARD KOCHI-25

No. MKT-AUC/0021/2015

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CIRCULAR

Sub: Auction Schedule at Puttady E-Auction Centre.

The auction schedule for 28.07.2020 and 30.7.2020 at Puttady E-auction centre is given below:

| Date | Day | Place | Time* | Name of Auctioneer |
|------------|---------|---------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 28.07.2020 | Tuesday | Puttady | 10.30 am -4.00 pm | |
| 30.07.2020 | | , | 10.30 am -4.00 pm | |

(* Lunch Break - 1-2 pm)

The above auctioneers shall conduct the auctions as per the Covid-19 guidelines attached herewith as Annexure-1.

This is issued with the approval of the Secretary, Spices Board.

DIRECTOR MARKETING

To All Licensed Cardamom Auctioneers

Copy to :
The District Collector, Idukki
The Asst Director, Spices Board, Bodinayakanur / Puttady

DD-(EDP)-to host the circular in the website.

General Instructions

- 1. The e-auction should be conducted @ one auction per day commencing from 10.30 am to 4.00 pm with lunch break between 1.00 pm and 2.00 pm till the approval from the District Administration to conduct two auctions per day.
- 2.In order to ensure safe social distancing norms, the seating will be restricted to the alternate terminals only. The total no of participants should be limited to 50.
- 3. The pooling of cardamom brought by the farmers should be given priority in the pooling centres established by the Auctioneers.
- 4.Details of Cardamom pooled for auction should be sent by the auctioneers to the Deputy Director, Spices Board, Puttady, by e-mail, by 6 pm on the day before the auction.
- 5. The Deputy Director, Spices Board, Puttady will request the Police Department to depute officials for duty at the auction centre on the auction dates.

Guidelines

The following guidelines are issued for strict adherence by the Stakeholders in the Pooling and Auction Centres:

- The Auctioneers and participants of e-auction shall follow the guidelines on COVID-19 issued by Central as well as State Governments including the guidelines issued by the District Administration / District Medical Officer from time to time.
- 2. The Auctioneers shall screen the participants using thermal scanners and shall prevent those showing symptoms from entering the auction venue.
- The Auctioneers shall provide adequate hand wash facilities, Masks, sanitizers, etc in the pooling centres / storage areas (godowns) / E-auction centres for the use by farmers, bidders, workers and the staff of auctioneers.
- 4. The Auctioneers shall display a notice related to washing protocol to be adopted, in the pooling centres / storage areas (godowns) / E-auction centres.
- The weight of the sacks / gunny bags of cardamom shall be such that a worker can easily handle / carry it independently inside the godown without the support of other workers, in order to avoid contact with co-workers.
- The Auctioneers shall undertake spraying of disinfectants around the storage Area / Pooling Centre to ensure hygiene and sanitation, in consultation with Health

Department in regard to type of disinfectant spray, duration, mode, etc. Care should be taken that the disinfectant should not get into contact with cardamom.

- 7. All transport vehicles, gunny bags or other packaging material shall be sanitized.
- 8. Adequate personal safety measures shall be taken for loading / unloading and transporting of Cardamom at pooling centres / auction centres.
- The auctioneers shall ensure that crowding is avoided in the cardamom pooling / collection centres. Appropriate measures such as token system can be adopted to avoid Crowding.
- 10. Entry to the Auction Hall shall be restricted by the auctioneers and only the buyers shall be allowed to enter into the Auction Hall. The total no.of participants shall not exceed 50 nos.
- 11. The Auctioneers shall engage minimum staff members in the Pooling Centres / Storage areas (godown) / Auction Centre.
- 12. Cleaning of the Pooling /Auction centre shall be undertaken on a daily basis to ensure the hygiene and sanitation.
- 13. The workers, farmers, traders, employees of auctioneers shall practice Social Distancing in the Pooling Centres / Auction Centres at any point of time.
- 14. The Auctioneers shall display the phone numbers of the Health authorities / ambulance/ fire etc. in the Pooling / Auction Centre for use during emergency.

DIRECTOR (MKTG)