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All HODs/RMs/CC Heads Central Warehousing Corporation Corporate Office/Regional Office/Const.Cells

Sub:- Seeking opinion from Law Officers directly by the Ministries/ Department etc. - reg.

Sir,

Please find enclosed a copy of OM No.39-01/2018-AC dated 11.04.2018 from Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution alongwith Department of Legal Affairs OM No.J-12012/3/2018-Judicial dated 7.3.2018 on the subject mentioned above for information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Dv. General Manager(Pers)

Encl: as above.

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- GM(MIS), CWC, CO, New Delhi for uploading on CWC website.
- 2. Sr.PA to Chairman/PPS to MD/Sr.PA to Dir(Pers)/Sr.PA to Dir(MCP)/SAM to Dir.(Fin) /PS to CVO, CWC, CO, New Delhi.
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No.39-01/2018-AC Government of India

Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution

Department of Food & Public Distribution

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 11th April, 2018

#### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of O.M No. J-12012/03/2018-Judicial dated 07.03.2018 received form Department of Legal Affairs on the subject cited above for information and compliance.

> (Rajesh Kumar Yadav) Under Secretary (AC) Tele: 2338 0518

Encl: As above

To:

1. JS (Policy & FCI)

2. IS ( PD)

3. JS (Sugar & Admin)

4. JS (Stg. & PG)

5. JS (Impex & IC)

6. EA

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F. No. J-12012/3/2018-JUDICIAL Government of India Ministry of Law & Justice Department of Legal Affairs (Judicial Section) \*\*\*\*

Shartri Bliawan, New Delhi. Dated 7th March, 2018

### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub- Seeking opinion from Law Officers directly by the Ministries/Departments/PSUs. etc. - Regarding.

It has been informed by Ld. Attorney General for India vide letter dated 09.08.2017 (copy enclosed for ready reference) that some of the Ministries/Departments are approaching Law Officers directly for seeking their opinion/advice.

- It may not be out of place to mention that rule of law demands that functions should be discharged by the authority on whom such functions are conferred in the manner prescribed therefor. The legal matters including interpretation of the Constitution and the laws is assigned to the Department of Legal Affairs in contradistinction to the individual officers vide The Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961 and the Government of India (Transaction of Business) Rules, 1961. The attention of all the concerned is invited, in this regard, to para 31 of the Manual of Office Procedures and the Law Officers (Conditions of Service) Rules, 1987 (available on this Department's website www.legalaffairs.gov.in in the tab 'Judicial Section' under heading 'Circulars pertaining to litigations').
- Para 31 of the Manual of Office Procedures provides as under 21

Para 31: References to the AGI - References to the Attorney General of India shall be made by the Ministry of Law and Justice.

Rule 8 of the Law Officers (Conditions of Service) Rules, 1987 is also reproduced 22 below for the attention of all concerned:

## 8. Restrictions- (1) A Law Officer shall not -

Hold briefs in any court for any party except the Government of India or the Government of a State or any University, Government School or College, local (a) authority, Public Service Commission, Port Trust, Port Commissioners, Government aided or Government managed hospitals, a Government company as defined in Section 617 of the Companies Act, 1956 (1 of 1956), any Corporation owned or controlled by the State, any body or institution in which the Government has a

Advice any party against the Government of India or a Public Sector Undertaking, or in cases in which he is likely to be called upon to advise, or appear for, the Government of (b) restant at the case to the first and the second property of the

India or a Public Sector Undertaking;

(0) Government of India;

Accept appointment to any office in any company or corporation without the permission (d)

of the Government of India; Advise any Ministry or Department of Government of India or any statutory organization or any Public Sector Undertaking unless the proposal or a reference in this regard is (e) received through the Ministry of Law and Justice, Department of Legal Affairs,

- All the Ministries/Departments are again requested that while seeking legal advice they should follow procedure so as to avoid illegality / impropriety on account of jurisdictional error or procedural impropriety and necessary instructions in this regard may also be issued to all the PSUs/Autonomous Bodies under their control.
- The Law Officers are also requested that in cases other than sub-judice matters opinion / advice to Central Government Ministries / Departments / PSUs / Autonomous Bodie or any other Central Government instrumentalities may not be tendered without gatting eference from this Ministry
- This issues with the approval of the Hon'ble Minister for Law and Justice.

Encls: As above.

Law Secretary

To,

All Ministries/Departments of Government of India.

- 2. All the Law Officers viz. the Attorney General for India, Solicitor General of India and Additional Solicitor Generals of India.
- The Incharge, Central Agency Section.
- 4 The Incharge, Branch Secretariats at Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai & Bengaluru.
- The Incharge, Litigation (High Court/CAT/Lower Court) Sections.

#### Copy for information to:

- 1. PS to MLJ/PS to MSLJ/PS to Law Secretary/PS to Legislative Secretary/PS to all Additional Secretary/PS to all Joint Secretaries of Department of Legal Affairs.
- 2. One copy of this OM is uploaded on the website of this Department i.e. www.legalaffairs.gov.in in the tab 'Judicial Section' under heading 'Circulars pertaining to litigations' for the information of all concerned.
- Five spare copies to be kept in Guard File.

(Inder Kumar)

Additional Secretary Tel. 011-23384101

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