Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services

No. 59, B.E. 2564 (2021)

Regarding Stipulation of Rules, Conditions on Purchase, and Display of Purchase Price as regards Fresh Tapioca Root Based on Starch Percent¹

Whereas the Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services No. 18, B.E. 2563 (2020) regarding Determination of Goods and Services under Control dated 1st July B.E. 2563 (2020) comes to an end, resulting in the end of enforcement of the Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services No. 69. B.E. 2563 (2020) regarding Stipulation of Rules, Conditions on Purchase, and Display of Purchase Price as regards Fresh Tapioca Root Based on Starch Percent dated 1st July B.E. 2563 (2020). In the meantime, the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services has already reconsidered the exercise of its power regarding the stipulation of the aforesaid measure, it is of the view that the measure requiring a business operator to display the purchase price of the fresh tapioca root based on the starch percent, the increasing and reducing adjustment rate of price based on the starch percent, should be maintained. This measure is added that the business operator is required to determine the purchase price of the fresh tapioca root by specifying the starch percent at 25 %. This measure is also added a condition on the purchase by prohibiting the business operator who purchases the fresh tapioca root from charging for the service of weighing in order that an agriculturist shall receive fairness in selling the fresh tapioca root, and the increasing and reducing adjustment of the purchase price shall be based on the same standard which is acceptable in the course of normal trade.

By virtue of Section 9 (2), (5), Section 25 (3), (4), and Section 28 of the Price of Goods and Services Act, B.E. 2542 (1999), the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services therefore issues this Notification, as follows.

¹ Published in the Government Gazette, Volume 138, Special Part 242 d, Page 306, dated 3rd October B.E. 2564 (2021).

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Article 1. This Notification shall come into force in all areas of the Kingdom for the period of one year as from the day following the date of its publication, except for there being the issuance of a new notification.

Article 2. In the determination of the purchase price of the fresh tapioca root by the operator of a tapioca courtyard, a tapioca flour mill or an ethanol plant, the starch percent as purchased shall be clearly specified, by specifying the starch percent at 25 %.

In the case where the starch percent comprising in the fresh tapioca root as purchased has the percent lower than that as specified in paragraph one, the reducing adjustment of the purchase price shall be permitted not exceeding 0.05 Baht per each kilogram per the reduction in the starch percent at every 1%. Or, in the case where the starch percent comprising in the fresh tapioca root as purchased has the percent higher than that as specified in paragraph one, the increasing adjustment of the purchase price shall be permitted not less than 0.05 Baht per each kilogram per the increase in the starch percent at every 1%.

Article 3. The display of the purchase price, the starch percent, and the increasing and reducing adjustment rate of price based on the starch percent under Article 2 shall be made in front of the place of purchase and the point of purchase, whereby the display of price must be the same price and the same rate, and the display shall be made in the form of the price per the unit of kilogram.

The display of items as specified in paragraph one shall be made in whichever figure of any language; however, there must be Arabic figure in the display in the high size of not lower than ten centimeters in the manner of being clear, disclosed and legible. The contents or items to be displayed concurrently must be made in Thai language, regardless of whether there are other foreign languages or not.

Article 4. In purchasing the fresh tapioca root, the operator of a tapioca courtyard, a tapioca flour mill or an ethanol plant shall purchase at the price not lower than the displayed price. The calculation of the increasing and reducing price based on the starch percent shall be made in line with the items as displayed under Article 3. And it is prohibited from charging for the service of weighing the fresh tapioca root which is purchased.

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