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

No. 48, B.E. 2561 (2018)

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

Whereas the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services has repealed the Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services No. 1, B.E. 2560 (2017) regarding Determination of Goods and Services under Control dated 19 January B.E. 2560 (2017), resulting in the end of enforcement of the Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services No. 49, B.E. 2560 (2017) regarding Stipulation of Rules, Conditions of Purchase, and Display of Purchase Price as regards Fresh Tapioca Root Based on Starch Percent dated 28 August B.E. 2560 (2017). 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 fresh tapioca root based on the starch percent, the increasing and reducing rate of price based on the starch percent, should be maintained in order that an agriculturist shall receive the fairness in selling 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 has therefore issued this Notification, as follows.

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. ¹

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Article 2. In the determination of purchase price of fresh tapioca root by the operator of tapioca courtyard, the operator of tapioca flour mill or the operator of Ethanol factory, the starch percent as purchased shall be clearly specified.

In a case where the starch percent comprising in 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 starch percent at every 1%. Or, in a case where the starch percent comprising in 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 starch percent at every 1%.

Article 3. The display of purchase price, the starch percent, and the increasing and reducing 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 purchase 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 regardless of whether there are figures of any language or not; 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 and disclosed, in capable of being easily read. 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 fresh tapioca root, the operator of tapioca courtyard, the operator of tapioca flour mill or the operator of Ethanol factory shall have to purchase at the price not lower than the displayed price; and the computation of the increasing and reducing rate of price based on the starch percent shall have to be undertaken in line with the items as displayed under Article 3.

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