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

No. 47, B.E. 2561 (2018)

Regarding Stipulation of Rules, Conditions of Purchase, and Display of Purchase Price of Goods as regards Oil Palm Seed Based on Oil Rate

Whereas the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services has repealed the Notification of the Central Committee on the Price of Goods and Services No. 1, B.E. 2560 (2017) regarding Determination of Goods and Services under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. 50, B.E. 2560 (2017) regarding Stipulation of Rules, Conditions of Purchase, and Display of Purchase Price of Goods as regards Oil Palm Seed Based on Oil Rate 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 install a plate to display the purchase price of the cluster of oil palm seed based on the oil rate should be maintained by adjusting wordings to be clearer in order to have an agriculturist receive the fairness and to comply with guidelines to sustainably resolve the problem on the price of oil palm to correspond with the operation according to the strategy of reforming the whole system of oil palm and palm oil during the period of years 2560-2579 (2017-2036).

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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¹ Published in the Government Gazette, Volume 135, Special Part 56 d, Page 172, dated 12 March B.E. 2561 (2018).

Article 2. The business operator who is the factory of palm oil extraction, the business operator of purchase point of palm seed (a courtyard) or the business operator who purchases palm seed generally shall install a plate to display the purchase price of the cluster of oil palm seed based on the oil rate at the rate of 18 %, 19%, 20%, 21% and 22%, whereby such a business operator shall have to display the increasing or reducing purchase price of 0.30 Baht per each kilogram per the increase or reduction in the oil rate at every 1%, and shall not install a plate to display the purchase price of fallen palm seed.

In a case where the oil rate is higher than 22%, the increasing adjustment of the purchase price shall be permitted 0.30 Baht per each kilogram per the increase in the oil rate at every 1%. Or, in a case where the oil rate is lower than 18%, the reducing adjustment of the purchase price shall be permitted not exceeding 0.30 Baht per each kilogram per the reduction in the oil rate at every 1%.

Article 3. The display of purchase price, the oil rate, and the increasing and reducing rate of price based on the oil rate under Article 2 shall be made in front of the place of purchase and the point of purchase, whereby the display of price and rates 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 the cluster of palm seed, the business operator who is the factory of palm oil extraction, the business operator of purchase point of palm seed (a courtyard) or the business operator who purchases palm seed generally shall have to purchase at the price not lower than the displayed price under Article 3.

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