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To

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For Registrar of Geographical Indications
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Intellectual Property Office Building
G.S.T. Road, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032, India**

Sub: Reg. Application for GI of Chinnor. (Application no. 663)

Respected Sir

Thank you very much for reviewing our GI application no. 663 for obtaining GI of Chinnor rice. As per your letter No. GIR/App.No.663/FCR/19-20/587, dated 31th October, 2019, kindly find enclosed the answers to your queries. The suggestions highlighted in the queries have been incorporated in the enclosed revised GI-1 form. The new annexures as per the requirement of the queries are also attached herewith.

Yours sincerely

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Enclosures:

1. Revised GI-1 Form
2. Answer to the queries
3. Annexure 1&2 - Linkage of Geographical Area of the GI Product
4. Annexure 3- Certified Map A3 Size
5. Annexure 4- Monitoring Committee
6. Annexure 5 - Affidavit



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- 1. Form GI – 1 to be resubmitted incorporating all the necessary information and details. The GI Application needs to be signed by neither the Applicant nor his Agent.**

Response – the form GI-1 has been resubmitted after incorporating all the necessary information and details. As desired, the application resubmitted now is not signed by any applicants or agents etc.

- 2. Application for a GI must be made by any association of persons or producers or any organization or authority established by or under any law for time being in force representing the interest of the producers of the concerned goods as per Section 11.**

a. How does Chinnor Seeds Producer Company Limited qualify as an Applicant as per Section 11?

b. How does Chinnor Seeds Producer Company Limited represent the interest of the producer of Chinnor as per section 11?

Response to both the above queries -The Chinnor seed producer company is an association of Chinnor rice growers of the Balaghat district of Madhya Pradesh. The member farmers of this company are enthusiastic growers of chinnor rice, which they have been traditionally growing for generations. To conserve their heritage and to perpetuate the legacy of Chinnor cultivation, to protect from the onslaught of high yielding rice varieties/hybrids that might wipe-out the areas under chinnor cultivation, and to cater the regional and nationwide demand of the Chinnor eating customers, this company was established according to the Government rules and regulations. To safeguard the interests of Chinnor rice growers of the Balaghat, any Chinnor growing farmer of the Balaghat district (the GI-tag area) is welcomed to join the company. As the Chinnor Seeds Producer Company Limited is the only company constituted with an aim to conserve and safeguard Chinnor rice and the interests of Chinnor growing