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EXCISE AND PROHIBITION DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

18th September, 2024

No. - 01/Niti-05-04/2022-1975--In exercise of the powers conferred by section 89 of Jharkhand Excise Act, 1915, the Government of Jharkhand pleased to makes the following amendments in Jharkhand Excise (Country Liquor Manufacturing, Bottling and Storage) Rules, 2018 published in official gazette vide notification no - 2141 dated 24/12/2018 and notification no- 350 dated 31.03.2022 and as amended from time to time make the following amendments :-

Jharkhand Excise (Country Liquor Manufacturing, Bottling and Storage) (Amendment) Rules, 2024

1. **Short title, extent and commencement -**
 - i) These rules may be called the Jharkhand Excise (Country Liquor Manufacturing, Bottling and Storage) (Amendment) Rules, 2024.
 - ii) It extends to the whole of State of Jharkhand.
 - iii) They shall come into force from the date of publication in the official gazette.

2. In rule 21(3), 23(4), 28, 35, 42 and 43(6) of the Principal Rules, 2018 as amended through the Jharkhand Excise (Country Liquor Manufacturing, Bottling and Storage) (Amendment) Rules, 2022, the following rule shall be substituted by amendment namely :-

Sl. No.	Rule No.	Current Provisions	Amendments
1	21(3)	To encourage the ecofriendly and reusable bottle, the packaging & sale of country liquor/spiced country liquor/flavoured country liquor shall be done only in glass bottle. The bottle shall be clean, free from pin holes, particles of foreign matter and undispersed raw material.	Quality - (3) The Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) Bottles used for bottling of country liquor shall be made from virgin-nontoxic 'A' Grade/Food Grade PET Chips/Resins and these bottles shall be clean, free from pin holes, particles of foreign matter and undispersed raw material. It should conform to specification for PET bottles as per IS 12252-1987 standard. Certificate to this effect shall have to be furnished by the country liquor Manufacturers before using PET bottles for bottling of country liquor. The country liquor manufacturer can also use glass bottles for packing of country liquor or spiced country liquor. The specification of Pet/Glass bottles for bottling of liquor can be redefined keeping in mind the quality, strength and hygiene of the country liquor/spiced country liquor.
2	23(4)	The licensee of the country liquor bottling plant or any authorized representative on behalf of the country liquor bottling plant shall draw two samples of 750ml, 375ml & 180ml each of every batch after the process of reduction, blending etc. are completed and before the process of bottling is commenced under the supervision of and in the presence of the Officer in charge of the country liquor bottling plant and make over these two samples (batch wise) to the Excise Officer-in-charge, who with proper invoice shall send one of the these samples to the laboratory within the country liquor bottling plant for testing and another sample shall be kept under his custody for six months from the date of last bottling of such	The licensee of the country liquor bottling plant or any authorized representative on behalf of the country liquor bottling plant shall draw two samples of 750ml, 600ml, 375ml, 300ml, 200ml & 180ml each of every batch after the process of reduction, blending etc. are completed and before the process of bottling commenced under the supervision of and in the presence of the Officer in charge of the country liquor bottling plant and make over these two samples (batch wise) to the Excise Officer-in-charge, who with proper invoice shall send one of the these samples to the laboratory within the country liquor bottling plant for testing and another

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3	28	Kind of Country liquor to be manufactured- The licensee can manufacture Country liquor/Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor of strength 75⁰UP, 50⁰UP & 25⁰UP in the country liquor bottling plant and can sale it to wholesaler or retailer as prescribed. Colouring agents used for manufacturing of spiced country liquor should be according to the rules framed under the prevention of food adulteration act, 1954, as amended from time to time. Flavouring essence of orange, lemon, malta, plantian kerosa, cardamom and rose which are certified by the chemical examiner as suitable for the compounding of spiced country liquor and permissible under the rules framed under prevention of food adulteration act, 1954 as amended and having ISI "AG" certification can be used any other flavoring agent as approved by Excise Commissioner can also be used for this purpose.	Kind of Country liquor to be manufactured- The licensee shall manufacture Country liquor/Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor of strength 75⁰UP, 60⁰UP, 50⁰UP, 40⁰UP & 25⁰UP in the country liquor bottling plant and can sale it to wholesaler or retailer as prescribed. Colouring agents used for manufacturing of spiced country liquor shall be according to the rules framed under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954, as amended from time to time. Flavouring essence of orange, lemon, malta, plantian kerosa, cardamom and rose which are certified by the chemical examiner as suitable for the compounding of spiced country liquor and permissible under the rules framed under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 as amended and having ISI "AG" certification can be used or any other flavoring agent as approved by Excise Commissioner can also be used for this purpose.
4	35	The bottling plant in which the operation of bottling of country liquor in labeled and sealed (Roll-on-Pilfer Proof) bottles are/will be undertaken and the warehouses thereof shall operate in accordance with rules relating to storage of country liquor.	The bottling plant in which the operation of bottling of country liquor in labeled and capsuled/sealed (Roll-on-Pilfer Proof) bottles are/will be undertaken and the warehouses thereof shall operate in accordance with rules relating to storage of country liquor.

5	42	The strength, pack & size of bottles of Plain/Flavoured/Spiced Country Liquor to be sold in Glass Bottle only according to following Table:- <table><tr><th>Sl. No.</th><th>Kind of Liquor</th><th>Strength of the liquor</th><th>Colour of the bottled for packing</th><th>Pack Size</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Plain Country Liquor</td><td>75⁰ UP</td><td>Transparent White</td><td>750ml/ 375ml/ 180ml</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Plain Premium Country Liquor</td><td>50⁰ UP</td><td>Light green</td><td>750ml/ 375ml/ 180ml</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Spiced/ flavoured Country Liquor</td><td>25⁰ UP</td><td>Dark Brown</td><td>750ml/ 375ml/ 180ml</td></tr></table>	Sl. No.	Kind of Liquor	Strength of the liquor	Colour of the bottled for packing	Pack Size	1	Plain Country Liquor	75 ⁰ UP	Transparent White	750ml/ 375ml/ 180ml	2	Plain Premium Country Liquor	50 ⁰ UP	Light green	750ml/ 375ml/ 180ml	3	Spiced/ flavoured Country Liquor	25 ⁰ UP	Dark Brown	750ml/ 375ml/ 180ml	The strength, pack & size of bottles of Plain/Flavoured/Spiced Country Liquor to be sold in Glass/Pet Bottle only according to following Table :- <table><tr><th>Sl No</th><th>Kind of Liquor</th><th>Strength of the liquor</th><th>Pack size of the liquor</th><th>Colour of the bottled for packing</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Plain/ Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor</td><td>75⁰ UP</td><td>750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML</td><td>Transparent White</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Plain/ Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor</td><td>60⁰ UP</td><td>750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML</td><td>Transparent White</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Plain/ Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor</td><td>50⁰ UP</td><td>750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML</td><td>Transparent White</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Plain/Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor</td><td>40⁰ UP</td><td>750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML</td><td>Transparent White</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>Plain/Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor</td><td>25⁰ UP</td><td>750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML</td><td>Transparent White</td></tr></table>	Sl No	Kind of Liquor	Strength of the liquor	Pack size of the liquor	Colour of the bottled for packing	1	Plain/ Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor	75 ⁰ UP	750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML	Transparent White	2	Plain/ Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor	60 ⁰ UP	750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML	Transparent White	3	Plain/ Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor	50 ⁰ UP	750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML	Transparent White	4	Plain/Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor	40 ⁰ UP	750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML	Transparent White	5	Plain/Flavoured/ Spiced Country Liquor	25 ⁰ UP	750 ML, 600 ML, 375 ML, 300 ML, 200 ML & 180 ML	Transparent White
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6	43 (6)	The Sale of Country Liquor/ Spice Country Liquor Shall be done only in measure of 750ml, 375ml & 180ml.	The Sale of Country Liquor/ Spice Country Liquor shall be done only in measure of 750ml, 600ml, 375ml, 300ml, 200ml & 180ml.																																																		

2. Rest provisions mentioned in Jharkhand Excise (Country Liquor Manufacturing, Bottling and Storage) Rules, 2018 and Jharkhand Excise (Country Liquor Manufacturing, Bottling and Storage) (Amendment) Rules, 2022 shall remain unchanged.

By the order of the Governor of Jharkhand,

Manoj Kumar,
Secretary to the Government.
