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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue

Room No. 48-C, North Block,
New Delhi,

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To

The Narcotics commissioner,
Central Bureau of Narcotics,
Govt. of India, Ministry of Finance,
19 -the Mall Morara,
Gwalior-474006

ANR (Teer)
mail to all units.

4.2 JWC/AOC (opium)

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Subject: Clarification regarding relaxation in opium policy-regarding

Sir,

Kindly refer to clarification issued vide this Ministry's letter of even number dated 31.10.2017 in this regard.

2. Now the matter has been further examined by this Ministry and with the approval of the Competent Authority it has been decided that following cultivators shall also be considered eligible for a licence to cultivate opium poppy in the crop year 2018-19:-

"Cultivators (including their legal heirs) who were delicensed in the crop year **2004-05 onwards till crop year 2015-16** provided they fulfil the following conditions:

- (a) the cultivators should not have been delicensed on any of the grounds: -
 - (i) of cultivating beyond the 5% 'Condonable Limit' in any crop year.
 - (ii) of resorting to illicit cultivation of opium poppy and charged in competent court for any offence under the NDPS Act, 1985, and the Rules made there under.
 - (iii) of tendering adulterated opium or inferior declared by the Government opium and Alkaloids Works, Neemuch/Ghazipur.
- (b) Cultivators who tendered total opium equal to or more than **100 percent** of the total of MQY (fixed for licensing in the next crop year) for the last five consecutive tendered years. Such five years would include average opium tendered in the year/years before year/years of such delicensing. In case of transfer of license to legal heir, tendering by deceased cultivators would be taken into account for computation of average opium tendered.
- (c) legal heirs who has not been refused license by any officer of Central Bureau of Narcotics and such order has since become final.
- (d) cultivator should have tendered opium for minimum of five years after crop year 1997-98 before being delicensed."

3. Accordingly, it is requested to issue necessary directions to the concerned offices /officers to take necessary action and also convey the same to the cultivators through appropriate measure.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature)

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