From, The Junior Liaison Officer, Coffee Board, Upper Nongthymmai, Near NEHU Campus, Shillong – 793014 Ref No, JLO/SHG/FXTN-3/2007-08/ 1 9:51 To, The Director, Soil & water Conservation Dept, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong- 793001, Meghalaya		DFFEE BOARD SHILLONG
	The Junior Liaison Officer, Coffee Board, Upper Nongthymmai, Near NEHU Campus,	The Director, Soil & water Conservation Dept, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong- 793001,

Sir,

Sub: Pooling of Meghalaya coffee for the season 2007-08- reg.

Kind attention is invited to the above.

Please find enclosed herein the news item regarding pooling of coffee to the Coffee Board and the initial payment fixed for the current year.

This is for your kind information and circulation to all your sub-offices in Meghalaya state as well as for the coffee growers who are in contact with Soil & Water Conservation Dept.s of various districts of Meghalaya.

Enclo: As above

Yours faithfully,

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JUNIOR LIAISON OFFICER Coffee Board, Shillong.

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## FOR ATTENTION OF ALL COFFEE GROWERS OF MEGHALAYA

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IN ORDER TO HELP THE COFFEE GROWERS OF MEGHALAYA STATE TO CURE AND TRANSPORT THE CURED COFFEE TO BANGALORE FOR DISPOSAL, SUITABLE ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO COLLECT THE COFFEE AND TRANSPORT TO COFFEE CURING WORKS AT LOKHORA, GUWAHATI.

IT IS THEREFORE REQUESTED THAT ALL THE COFFEE GROWERS WHO HAVE HARVESTED THEIR CROP AND KEPT READY AFTER DRYING TO THE REQUIRED MOISTURE LEVEL (TEST WEIGHT) TO TRANSPORT THE SAME AND DELIVER AT COFFEE BOARD, SHILLONG.

THE COFFEE GROWERS CAN DELIVER ARABICA/ROBUSTA PARCHMENT AND ARABICA/ROBUSTA CHERRY COFFEE FROM 1<sup>ST</sup>FEBRUARY UP TO 31<sup>ST</sup>MARCH,2008 FOR CURING THEIR COFFEE ON PRIORITY AT COFFEE PROCESSING FACTORY, LOKHORA, GUWAHATI AND TO ENABLE THE CURED COFFEE TO BE SENT TO BANGALORE FOR DISPOSAL THROUGH AUCTION BEFORE 31.05.2008.

THIS WOULD ENABLE THE COFFEE BOARD TO ARRANGE FOR DISPOSAL OF COFFEE AT THE EARLIEST AND TO MAKE THE FINAL PAYMENT TO THE COFFEE GROWER WHO HAVE POOLED COFFEE PERTAINING TO 2007-08 SEASON AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

THE GROWERS MAY DELIVER THE RAW COFFEE FROM MONDAY TO FRIDAY FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM AT COFFEE BOARD OFFICE, SHILLONG.

FURTHER, THE BOARD HAS ANNOUNCED FOR MAKING OF INITIAL PAYMENT AT THE RATES INDICATED BELOW:-

A) ARABICA PARCHMENT	Rs.38/-Kg.
B) ARABICA CHERRY	Rs.22-/Kg.
C) ROBUSTA PARCHMENT	Rs.30/-Kg
D) ROBUSTA CHERRY	Rs.19/-Kg
E) ARABICA ESTATE POUNDED	Rs.33/-Kg
F) ROBUSTA ESTATE POUNDED	Rs.29/-Kg

THE GROWERS WHO ARE POOLING COFFEE FOR 2007-08 SEASON ONWARDS ARE REQUIRED TO FURNISH THE BANK DETAILS i.e ACCOUNT NUMBER, NAME OF THE BANK, BRANCH NAME AND BRANCH CODE ETC. FOR EASY PAYMENT DIRECTLY FROM O/O JOINT DIRECTOR(EXTN), COFFEE BOARD, GUWAHATI.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE JUNIOR LIAISON OFFICER, COFFEE BOARD, SHILLONG AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER.

JUNIOR LIAISON OFFICER COFFEE BOARD UPPER NONGTHYMMAI. MEGHALAYA STATE PHONE -0364-2535870

> JOINT DIRECTOR OF EXTN. COFFEE BOARD, NER, GUWAHATI

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Date: 19.12.2007

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## **CIRCULAR**

Sub : Fixing of Rate for Initial Pool Payment of Coffee for the season 2007-08 under Market Support Scheme – Reg.

Ref: No. JDE/GHY/MSS-IP/2007-08/ 39 dt. 09.04.07

The Chairman Coffee Board, Bangalore has accorded approval for making of initial payment to the growers of North East Region the following rates for raw coffee pooled by them for the season 2007-08.

SI.No.	Types of Coffee	Initial payment Rate (Rs./Kg.)
1	Arabica Parchment	38.00
2	Arabica Cherry	22.00
3	Arabica EP	33.00,
4	Robusta Cherry	19.00
5	Robusta EP	29.00
6	Robusta Parchment	30.00

The above rates will be effective w.e.f. 01.01.2008 for the crop season 2007-08. While pooling the Coffee the following measures should be taken to maintain the better quality of coffee

- Coffee harvested and pooled for the season 2007-08 should be sent to the curing Works (Lokhora / MCCW, Kolasib) as early as possible on top priority.
- (2) The coffee produced from the states of Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh should be pooled to the processing Factory, Lokhora, Guwahati. However, coffee from Manipur, Tripura ,Barak Valley of Assam and Mizoram state should be pooled to the Mini Curing Works (MCCW), at CDF Bualpui, Mizoram.
- (3) While pooling it should be ensured that the moisture content should be properly verified & recorded in the relevant register. Further the raw coffee should be free from any foreign material and dried to the desired moisture level. This is desirable to avoid transporting coffee with high moisture content which require further drying at coffee Processing Factory, which is time consuming

Wherever individual growers pool a minimum quantity of 500 kg, separate identity of such consignment should be maintained, so that coffee could be disposed of at ICTA auction and payment made separately to such growers. For this purpose ,adequate publicity be given to the growers so as to ensure collection, processing and dispatch of coffee of such individuals growers by retaining separate identity.

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- (4) Further all officers are hereby instructed to give wide publicity through print and electronic media regarding fixing of initial payment for the benefit of coffee growers so as to enable them to take up proper drying of coffee and to pool with the Board immediately after coffee is dried to the recommended moisture level. Like wise the information may also be arranged to be broadcast through All India Radio station for the benefit of farmers. Information may also circulated through growers association and also
- through respective State government departments who are involved in coffee developmental activities.

Besides this, all the details pertaining to initial payment in respect of coffee crop for the season 2007-08 may also be displayed on the notice board and also through Pro- active NGO's

(5) The coffee should be properly packed in new gunny bags with proper identification.

- (6) The consignment should reach the coffee Processing Factory, Lokhora or the MCCW, Bualpui only on working days
- (7) The coffee should be pooled in the factory in presence of the official of the Board.

Receipt of this circular may be acknowledged and compliance reported.

JOINT DIRECTOR

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The DDE, Silchar / Jorhat ' The DD(R), RCRS Diphu The SLO 's Haflong/Tura/Mokokchung / Kumarghat/Lunglei The JLO, Shillong The Incharge\_TEC Deomali/Agartala

Copy to :

The Director, Soil & Water Conservation Deptt, Meghalaya, Shillong

2. The Director, Soil & Water Conservation Deptt, Mizoram, Aizwal

3. The Managing Director, APCD, Ltd, Lokhora, Guwahati

4. The Managing Director APFC, Ltd., Itanagar

5. Divisional Officer S.C. Divn, Diphu/Hamren/Kohora, Assam

6. The Director of Horticulture, Govt. of Nagaland, Kohima.

7. The Director of MATA Foundation, Imphal, Manipur.

8. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Agartala, Tripura.

9. The Principal Secretary, Soil Con. Deptt., Dispur, Guwahati.