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No. 4/4/21-HII(3)-2011/7419.—The following draft rules, which the Administrator, Union Territory, Chandigarh proposes to make, in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 53 of the Legal Metrology Act, 2009, are hereby published as required under sub-section 4 of section 53 of the Act *ibid*, for information of all persons likely to be effected thereby.

Notice is hereby given that the draft rules shall be taken into consideration by Chandigarh Administration on or after the expiry of period of 30 days from the date of publication of this notification in the Chandigarh Administration Gazette.

Any person interested in filing any objection against the said proposed draft rules may do so in writing to the Controller, Legal Metrology, U.T., Chandigarh within said period of 30 days.

DRAFT RULES

THE CHANDIGARH LEGAL METROLOGY (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2011

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) These rules may be called the Chandigarh Legal Metrology (Enforcement) Rules, 2011

(2) They extend to the whole of U.T., Chandigarh

(3) They shall come into force on such date as may be specified by State Government by notification in the official gazette.

2. **Definitions.**—In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires—

(a) "Act" means the Legal Metrology Act, 2009 ;

(b) "Reference Standards Laboratory" means a laboratory set up by the Central Government under the Act, where Reference Standards, Secondary Standards and Working Standards are maintained ;

(c) "Schedule" means a schedule appended to these rules ;

(d) Words and expressions used in these rules and not defined but defined in the Act shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.

3. **Reference Standards.**—The Reference Standards shall be kept at such place, in such manner and in such custody as prescribed under the Legal Metrology (National Standards) Rules, 2011.

4. **Secondary Standards.**—(1) Every Secondary Standard shall be verified at any of the Reference Standards Laboratories, in such manner and at such periodical intervals as may be prescribed under the rules and shall, if found on such verification to conform to the Standards established by or under that Act, be stamped by reference Standard Laboratory or a certificate of verification will be issued by that laboratory.

(2) The Secondary Standards shall be kept at such place, and in such custody as the Controller may direct.

5. **Working Standards.**—(1) Every Working Standard shall be verified either at any of the Reference Standards laboratories or at any of the Secondary Standards Laboratories maintained by the State Government, in such manner and at such periodical intervals as may be prescribed under the rules and shall, if found on such verification to conform to the Standards established by or under the Act, be stamped or certificate of verification will be issued by that laboratory as the case may be.

(2) The Working Standards shall be kept in the custody of Legal Metrology Officer.

6. **Secondary Standard Balances.**—(1) A set of Secondary Standard balances shall be maintained at every place where Secondary Standard Weights are kept.

(2) The number, types and specifications of such balances shall be such as may be prescribed under the Legal Metrology (General) Rules, 2011.

(3) Every Secondary Standard balance shall be verified at least once within a period of twelve months and shall be adjusted, if necessary, to make it correct within the limits of sensitivity and other metrological qualities prescribed under the Act, by the Reference Standards Laboratory or by the Controller or such other officer as may be authorized by the Controller in this behalf.

7. **Working Standard Balances.**—(1) A set of Working Standard balances shall be maintained at every place where Working Standard Weights are kept.

(2) The number, types and specifications of such balances shall be such as may be prescribed under the Legal Metrology (General) Rules, 2011.

(3) Every Working Standard balance shall be verified at least once within a period of twelve months and shall be adjusted, if necessary, to make it correct within the limits of sensitivity and other metrological qualities prescribed under the Legal Metrology (General) Rules, 2011, by the Reference Standard Laboratory or at any of the place where Secondary Standards are maintained by the State Government.

8. **Physical characteristics, configuration, constructional details of Weights and Measures.**—Every Weight or measure used or intended to be used in any transaction or for protection shall conform as regards physical characteristic, configuration, constructional details, materials, performance, tolerances and such other details, to the specifications prescribed under the Act or the Legal Metrology (General) Rules, 2011.

9. **Use of Bullion Weights, Carat Weights etc.**—(1) No Weight other than a Bullion Weight, as specified in General Rules, 2011, shall be used in any transaction or for protection in bullion including precious metals, pearls, ornaments or other articles made of gold or silver.

(2) No weight other than a carat weight shall be used in any transaction in precious stones.

(3) Only beam scale of class A or class B category or a non-automatic weighing instrument of high accuracy class (class II) or special accuracy class (class I) shall be used in any transaction referred to in sub-rules (1) and (2).

