

Bill No.3 of 1987

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F. A. Narain,
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**GUYANA**

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FACTORIES (AMENDMENT)

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short Title.
2. Amendment of Section 5 of the Principal Act.
3. Repeal and re-enactment of Section 7 of the Principal Act.
4. Amendment of the Schedule to the Principal Act.

INTITULED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE RICE FACTORIES

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

This Act, which amends the Rice Factories Act, may be cited as the Rice Factories (Amendment) Act 1987.

**Amendment
of Section 5
of the Prin-
cipal Act.**

2. Section 5 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects —

- (a) by the insertion after the words "to the Centre" in subsection (1) of the words "after complying with such requirements as may be prescribed by rules".
- (b) by the insertion after the words "this Act" in subsection (2) of the words "or has not complied with any of the requirements prescribed by rules".

**Repeal and
re-enactment
of Section 7
of the Prin-
cipal Act.**

3. Section 7 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor —

**"Form and
duration of
and fee for
licence Sche-
dule.**

7.(1) Every licence shall be in the form in the Schedule, and shall expire on the 31st December in every year.

(2) The following licence fees shall be paid annually for a rice factory —

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(a) Having a mill with a total milling capacity not exceeding two tons	100.00	
(b) having a mill with a total milling capacity exceeding two tons but not exceeding four tons	125.00	
(c) having a mill with a total milling capacity exceeding four tons but not exceeding six tons	150.00	
(d) having a mill with a total milling capacity exceeding six tons	200.00	

Provided that where a licence is issued for the first time on or after the 1st July in any year, the licence fee chargeable shall be fifty per cent of the annual fee.

(3) Every holder of a licence shall comply with all the conditions endorsed on the licence and the licence may be revoked by the Centre at any time for non-compliance with any of the

conditions or for a contravention of any of the provisions of the Act:

Provided that the holder of a licence shall have an opportunity of being heard before the revocation of his licence.

(4) The Minister may by order amend this section or Schedule”.

4. The Schedule to the Principal Act is hereby deleted and the following Schedule substituted therefor —

“SCHEDULE
RICE FACTORIES ACT
LICENCE TO MANUFACTURE RICE

Licence No.....

Region.....

Name and address of holder.....

Situation of Rice Factory.....

Total milling capacity of Rice Factory.....

This licence is issued to the abovenamed person to manufacture rice at the rice factory stated in this licence.

This licence expires on the 31st December, 19.....

This licence is granted subject to the conditions endorsed thereon.

Fee: \$

Dated this.....day of.....19.....

National Padi and Rice Grading Centre.

CONDITIONS OF LICENCE

This licence is granted subject to the following conditions, namely, that —

- (a) the holder of the licence shall purchase or receive padi for manufacture of rice at his factory at any time during the working hours of the factory, subject to availability of storage accommodation;

- (b) the rice factory and all machinery and equipment shall be maintained in a fit and serviceable condition;
- (c) a schedule of milling fees, deductions to be made and services rendered shall be displayed prominently at the premises of the rice factory;
- (d) the holder of the licence shall be responsible for carrying out such pest control, hygiene and safety measures as are directed by the Centre, from time to time, with regard to storage and processing of padi;
- (e) the holder of the licence shall ensure that the scales and the grading equipment used at the rice factory are accurate, efficient and approved by the Centre; and
- (f) the holder of the licence shall comply with such other directions as are given to him from time to time by the general manager of the Centre with regard to the quality and grading of padi, and the purchase or receipt thereof for manufacturing rice in the rice factory".

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Rice Factories Act, Cap. 95:05, so as to make provision for laying down certain conditions subject to which a licence may be granted to manufacture rice in a rice factory by the holder of the licence and for fixing the fee payable for such licence in relation to the total milling capacity of a rice factory (Clause 3).

Every licence is proposed to expire on the 31st December in every year. The fee chargeable for a licence issued for the first time on or after the 1st July in any year is proposed to be fifty per cent of the annual fee.

Clause 4 seeks to substitute a new Schedule for the existing Schedule to the Act so as to endorse the conditions on the form of the licence.

P. McKenzie,
Minister in the Ministry
of Agriculture.