

**Bureau of Indian Standards**  
**CENTRAL MARKS DEPARTMENT –II**

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BIS CL has recently analysed the data for samples of packaged drinking water sent to outside labs by various BOs in view of anonymous complaint. From the data, it has been noted that some BOs are sending large number of samples of packaged drinking water to a single lab which is in contravention to CMD circular dated 13 August 2003 in this regard. This circular clearly states:

“As decided by CA, all BOs are requested that samples of packaged bottled water which are drawn for independent testing should be uniformly distributed to all approved labs and they should not patronized a single lab for testing of sample”.

In this context it is advised that BO should first utilize our own testing facilities for Packaged drinking water both at CL and WROL subject to availability of spare capacity. In case, if the samples are to be sent to outside lab, BOs are advised to strictly follow the above guidelines issued by CMD-II and any deviation will be viewed seriously.

DDGRs are requested to ensure the compliance of above.

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