

CENTRAL MARKS DEPARTMENT – II

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Subject: Drawal of samples of Packaged drinking water for testing in independent lab

From time to time all ROs/BOs are being advised to draw samples for independent testing in bottles or containers without any labels/ markings of the manufacturer. It is felt that samples in this fashion could easily be drawn wherever manufacturer is using its labels on the bottle but the same may not be possible wherever the bottles are printed. It has been brought to our notice that samples are still being drawn by our IO's with the manufacturers labels pasted on the bottles or the containers.

In order to ensure that the identity of the manufacturer is masked to the extent possible, it has been decided that the factory samples invariably be drawn in the bottle/containers without labels wherever applicable. In case of the printed bottles, if unprinted bottles are available, with the manufacturer then efforts should be made to draw the samples in unprinted bottles only.

All ROs/BOs are requested to take appropriate action in view of the above.

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