Eco-mark Scheme

ECOMARK CRITERIA FOR WOOD SUBSTITUTES (The Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II-Section 3(i), No. 170, May 18, 1996)

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

Products manufactured shall meet relevant Indian Standards of BIS (Bureau of Indian Standards) pertaining to safety, quality and performance.

The product manufacturer must produce the consent clearance, as per the provisions of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1974, Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess Act 1977 and Air (Pollution and Control of Pollution) Act 1981, along with the authorisation if required under Environment (Protection) Act 1986 and rules made thereunder to Bureau of Indian Standards while applying for the ECOMARK appropriate with enforced rules and regulations of the Forest Department.

The product or product packaging may display in brief the criteria based on which the product has been labelled Environment Friendly.

The material used for product packaging shall be recyclable, reusable or biodegradable.

PRODUCT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

Substitutes for fuel-wood:

Briquettes shall be made from agricultural and wood residues (like saw dust) and domestic wastes (like garbage) without synthetic binders, for industrial and domestic use. Such briquettes shall not be manufactured from any wastes material which contain any hazardous constituents as specified under Hazardous Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989.

Note: The manufacturer shall provide documentary evidence by way of certificate or declaration to this effect to Bureau of Indian Standards while applying for Ecomark. Biogas, LPG and natural gases

Note: The product container shall be suitably marked that Ecomark label is applicable only to the ontents if the product container is not separately covered under Ecomark Scheme. It may be stated that the Ecomark is applicable to the product or product container or both.

Substitutes for Wood Building Material

Building boards generally used as partitioning, panelling, cladding and false-ceiling shall be made from agricultural or industrial wastes (such as Phospho-gypsum, red mud, baggase, cotton stalk, rice-husk, coir fibre, sisal fibre or wood residues etc., or wood from sources other than natural forests or environment friendly plastics as notified separately.

Door and window frames and shutters used in buildings shall be made from agricultural or industrial wastes or wood residues or wood from sources, other than natural forests or ferrocement or building boards specified in 2(ii)(a) above or environment friendly plastic as notified separately or frames made from enforced cement concrete.

Note: The manufacturer shall provide documentary evidence by way of certificate or declaration to this effect to Bureau of Indian Standards while applying for Ecomark.

Note: Wood from sources other than natural forests include wood from rubber, coconut, cashew, industrial and social forestry plantations etc., and shade trees from tea and coffee estates.

Substitutes for Wood in Furniture:

The furniture (table, chairs and Stool etc.) shall be made from agricultural or industrial wastes or wood residues or wood from sources other than natural forests or building boards specified in 2(ii)(a) above or environment friendly plastics as notified separately.

The incorporation of the Ecomark requirements, in the following BIS standards, are under process:

| 1. | IS 303:1989 | Plywood for general purposes |
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| 2. | IS 1003(Pt.1): 1991 | Timber panelled and glazed shutters : Part 1Door shutters |
| 3. | IS 1003(Pt.2): 1991 | Timber panelled and glazed shutters : Part 2Window and ventilator shutters |
| 4. | IS 1658:1977 | Fibre hardboards |
| 5. | IS 1659:1990 | Block boards |
| 6. | IS 1829(Pt.1): 1978 | Library furniture and fittings : Part 1 Timber |
| 7. | IS 2095(Pt.1): 1996 | Gypsum plaster boards |
| 8. | IS 2095(Pt.3): 1996 | Gypsum plaster boards: Part 3 Reinforced Gypsum plaster boards. |
| 9 | IS 2191 (Pt 1) : 1983 | Wooden flush door shutters (cellular and hollow |

| 9. | IS 2191 (Pt.1) : 1983 | Wooden flush door shutters (cellular and hollow core type): Part 1 Plywood face panels |
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| 10. | IS 2191 (Pt.2): 1983 | Wooden flush door shutters (cellular and hollow core type): Part 2 Particle board and hardboard face panels |
| 11. | IS 2202(Pt.1): 1991 | Wooden flush door shutters (solid core type):Part 1 Plywood face panels |
| 12. | IS 2202(Pt.2): 1991 | Wooden flush door shutters (solid core type): Part 2 Particle board face panels and hardboard face panels |
| 13. | IS 2849:1983 | Specification for non-lead bearing gypsum partition |
| 14. | IS 3129:1985 | Low density particle boards |
| 15. | IS 3308:1981 | Specification for wood wool building slabs |
| 16. | IS 4021:1995 | Timber door, window and ventilator frames |
| 17. | IS 4116:1988 | Wooden shelving cabinets (adjustable type) |
| 18. | IS 4126:1986 | Wooden wardrobes (adjustable type and non adjustable type) |
| 19. | IS 4414:1990 | Specification for wooden table tops |
| 20. | IS 4962:1968 | Specification for wooden side sliding doors |
| 21. | IS 4990:1993 | Plywood for concrete shuttering work |
| 22. | IS 5509:1980 | Fire retardent plywood |
| 23. | IS 5823:1986 | Dinning tables |
| 24. | IS 5923:1986 | Wooden clothes lockers |
| 25. | IS 5974:1986 | Specification for divans and easy chairs |
| 26. | IS 6188:1988 | Specification for wooden bedside table |
| 27. | IS 6198:1992 | Ledged, braced and battened timber door shutters |
| 28. | IS 6523:1983 | Specification for precast reinforced concrete door and window frames |
| 29. | IS 6632:1988 | Specification for wooden folding chairs. |
| 30. | IS 7070:1988 | Wooden shelving racks(adjustable type and non adjustable) |
| 31. | IS 7259(Pt.1):1988 | Specification for wooden beds:Part 1 For use with mattresses |
| 32. | IS 11525:1986 | Wooden chairs for office purposes |

| 33. | IS 11679:1986 | Wooden tables for office purposes |
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| 34. | IS 12680:1989 | Wooden sofa-cum-bed |
| 35. | IS 12896:1988 | Classification of Indian timbers for doors and window shutters and frames |