



Tea Board of India

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The [Tea Board of India](#) has amended the **pan-India auction rules** under the **Bharat Auction model**, based on key recommendations of the **Ramaseshan Committee**, aiming to enhance **price discovery** and protect **seller interests** in the tea sector.

- **Ramaseshan Committee** report pertains to improving price discovery and market structure in the tea industry.
- **Bharat Auction model** is a **pan-India electronic auction system** introduced by the **Tea Board of India** in which **bids are placed prior to the lots going live**.
- **About Tea Board of India:**
 - **Establishment:** It was **established in 1953** and is **headquartered in Kolkata**. It has **17 offices across India**.
 - It also has overseas offices like in **London, Moscow and Dubai**.
 - **Statutory Body:** It was set up under **Section 4 of the Tea Act, 1953**.
 - **Regulatory Authority:** It **regulates** various entities including **tea producers, manufacturers, exporters, tea brokers, auction organisers, and warehouse keepers**.
 - **Functions:** It conducts **market surveys, analyses, identifies, tracks consumer behaviour**, and provides **relevant and accurate information** to **importers and exporters**.

Key Agricultural Boards in India:

| Board | Constituted Under | Headquarters |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Tea Board | Tea Act, 1953 | Kolkata |
| Coffee Board | Coffee Act, 1942 | Bangalore |
| Rubber Board | Rubber Act, 1947 | Kottayam, Kerala |
| Spices Board | Spices Board Act, 1986 | Kochi, Kerala |
| Tobacco Board | Tobacco Board Act, 1975 | Guntur, Andhra Pradesh |
| National Turmeric Board | Not a statutory body | Nizamabad, Telangana |
| Makhana Board | - | Bihar (Proposed) |

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