

*Indian Standard*  
**GLOSSARY OF TEA TERMS**  
( *First Revision* )

**0. FOREWORD**

**0.1** This Indian Standard ( First Revision ) was adopted by the Indian Standards Institution on 15 December 1986, after the draft finalized by the Stimulant Foods Sectional Committee had been approved by the Agricultural and Food Products Division Council.

**0.2** There are several technical terms that are peculiar to the tea trade in the country. These include those relating to tea manufacture and also specific terms employed by producers, buyers, blenders and brokers in the tea business. The extensive use of many of these terms and the variations that exist in regard to some of their definitions have necessitated the preparation of this glossary in order to achieve a degree of uniformity. The glossary has been compiled on the basis of teas of both North and South Indian manufacture and is intended to serve as a guide to all those interested in the tea industry.

**0.3** This standard was first published in 1968. This present revision has been undertaken to modify Appendix ' A ' grades of Indian Tea by deleting the obsolete grades and updating by incorporating three separate tables namely Orthodox Tea, CTC Tea, Green Tea with reference to whole leaf, broken, fannings, dust.

**1. SCOPE**

**1.1** This standard covers definitions of tea tasting terms, terms relating to tea manufacture and those used by producers, buyers, blenders and brokers in the trade.