

[*Translation*]**Constitution of De-Addiction Centres**

2164. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to constitute De-addiction Centres to check the increased number of drug addicts in the country; and

(b) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) and (b). 36 De-addiction centres have already been set up through voluntary organisations to provide treatment facilities to drug addicts and to check the increase in their number all over the country. Their year-wise breakup is given below:—

	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6
No. of De-addiction Centres set up	1	7	16	12	36

[*English*]**Retail Market Prices of Essential Commodities**

2165. SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA:  
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Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the average retail and wholesale price of rice (coarse), wheat, groundnut oil, mustard oil vanaspati, sugar, vegetables pulses, tea and kerosene oil in February, March, April, May and June, 1990 in principal markets of the country;

(b) the reasons for increase in prices if any;

(c) the steps taken to bring down the increased prices; and

(d) the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL): (a) Statement I and II showing the average wholesale and retail prices of rice (coarse), wheat, groundnut oil, mustard oil, vanaspati, sugar, potatoes, onions, gram, arhar, tea and kerosene in February, March, April, May and June, 1990 based on selected important centres in the country are given below.

(b) The main reasons for price rise are increase in money supply during 1989-90 and earlier years, rising consumer demand, demand and supply gap in case of some essential items like pulses and edible oils, increase in procurement and minimum support prices of agricultural commodities and seasonable factors.

(c) and (d). The Government has accorded highest priority to check the rising trend in prices of essential commodities.

Both long-term and short-term measure are being taken for the purposes.

Apart from the measures on the broad macro-economic front such efforts to reduce growth in money supply and fiscal discipline, specific measures have been taken by the Government in respect of particular essential commodities under pressure such as edible oils, pulses, tea, sugar and cement etc. The measures taken by the Government

broadly include steps to increase the production of essential commodities Act and other regulatory measures and augmenting domestic supplies through imports wherever necessary subject to overall constraints of foreign exchange. As a result of these measures, prices of rice, wheat, sugar have remained at reasonable levels, tea prices have shown tendency of softening and the run-away increase in the prices of edible oils has been restrained.

**STATEMENT-I**

*Average wholesale prices of selected commodities based on selected important centres in the country*

*(Rs. per quintal)*

Sl. No.	Commodity	Average Wholesale Prices (in Rs.)				
		February 1990	March 1990	April 1990	May 1990	June 1990
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Rice (Coarse)	375.10	378.74	381.55	380.73	388.43
2.	Wheat	263.51	256.58	260.78	268.45	272.71
3.	Groundnut Oil	2482.57	2563.12	2636.35	2700.54	2927.38
4.	Mustard Oil	2004.04	2050.68	2235.25	2189.41	2435.76
5.	Vanaspati	2624.42	2705.42	2900.68	2986.25	3150.73
6.	Sugar	822.91	831.33	854.95	813.76	836.48
<b>Vegetables</b>						
(i)	Potatoes	133.00	142.00	179.00	222.00	245.00
(ii)	Onions	115.00	130.00	127.00	140.00	172.00

(Rs. per quintal)

Sl. No.	Commodity	Average Wholesale Prices (in Rs.)				
		February 1990	March 1990	April 1990	May 1990	June 1990
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>Pulses</b>						
(i)	Gram	818.58	831.26	886.70	900.64	926.38
(ii)	Tur (Arhar)	929.75	959.91	1010.53	1019.76	1068.75
	Tea	4518.40	4813.15	5155.16	5308.25	5352.83
	<i>Kerosene Oil</i> <i>(Per Kilo Litre)</i>  <i>(Ex-Storage Point)</i>					
	Bombay: Calcutta Madras	1956.93	1956.93	1956.93	1956.93	1956.93

Source : (i) Civil Supplies Departments of States/U.Ts.

(ii) Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (for Kerosene only)

(iii) National Horticulture Board, Ministry of Agriculture (for Potatoes and Onions only)

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**STATEMENT-II**

*Average retail Prices of selected commodities based on selected important centres in the country*

Sl. No.	Commodity	Average Retail Prices (Rs. per kg.)				
		February 1990	March 1990	April 1990	May 1990	June 1990
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Rice (Coarse)	4.16	4.14	4.18	4.18	4.26
2.	Wheat	2.91	2.84	2.89	2.96	2.88
3.	Groundnut Oil	25.67	26.72	27.55	28.00	30.64
4.	Mustard Oil	21.28	21.97	23.69	23.29	25.51
5.	Vanaspati	27.50	28.20	30.24	31.06	32.59
6.	Sugar	8.55	8.60	8.85	8.54	8.70
<b>Vegetables</b>						
(i)	Potatoes	1.98	2.07	2.42	2.82	3.14
(ii)	Onions	2.02	2.04	2.09	2.71	2.56

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		February 1990	March 1990	April 1990	May 1990	June 1990
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>Pulses</b>						
(i)	Gram	9.13	9.12	9.63	9.80	10.07
(ii)	Tur (Arhar)	10.14	10.45	10.92	11.12	11.54
	Tea (loose)	46.91	51.08	54.07	53.58	55.93
	Kerosene	2.43	2.45	2.60	2.54	2.55

Source: Civil Supplies Departments of States/UTs Dte. of Economics and Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture (for Kerosene only)