

1	2	3	4
15.	Punjab	3	Chandigarh Jalandhar Ludhiana
16.	Rajasthan	3	Jaipur Jodhpur Udaipur
17.	Tamil Nadu	8	Coimbatore Madras Madurai Pondicherry Salem Trichy Tirupur Kanchipuram
18.	Uttar Pradesh	9	Agra Allahabad Dehradun Gorakhpur Lucknow Meerut Moradabad Kanpur Varanasi
19.	West Bengal	4	Calcutta Howrah Siliguri Gangtok

#### Price of Wheat and Rice

\*229. SHRI NITISH KUMAR :

JUSTICE GUMAN MAL LODHA :

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Food Corporation of India has increased the prices of wheat and rice in the open market several times during the last years.

(b) if so, the details of prices increased in each time during 1993-94 and till date, item-wise;

(c) whether these price hikes, instead of controlling the prices have increased the possibilities of further hike in foodgrain prices in the open market of the country;

(d) if not, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(e) whether the FCI sells foodgrains in the open market in order to check market price of foodgrains?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) :

(a) and (b). Statements indicating the changes in prices of open sale of wheat and rice of domestic consumption by Food Corporation of India from 1993-94 till date, are at enclosed statement-I and II and Statement-III and IV respectively. Price of wheat were reduced on six occasions and increased on seven occasions and prices of rice were reduced on six occasions and increased on four occasions.

(c) and (d). Open sales of rice and wheat by FCI had a sobering effect on the market prices of wheat and rice. In absence of the open sales market prices of wheat and rice would have registered a much higher rise.

(e) FCI was allowed to make open sales of wheat and rice on the following important grounds:

- (i) to release much needed storage space for fresh procurement;
- (ii) to reduce the carrying cost of stocks with FCI;
- (iii) to exercise as a measures of marketing intervention for a sobering effect on the open market prices;
- (iv) to reduce, to some extent the burden on food subsidy

#### STATEMENT-I

Sale Price of Wheat fixed for the Months of Nov.'93 to March, '95

(Rate Rs /per MT)

S.No.	Name of the State	Nov. 93	Dec. 93 & Jan. 95	Feb. & Mar. 94	Apr. 94	May, June, July, 94	Aug. & Sept. 94	Oct. & Nov. 94	Dec. 94	Jan. 95 to Mar. 95
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1.	Punjab/Haryana/U.P.	3850	3850	4100	4100	4100	4150	4200	4150	4100
2.	Delhi	4050	4050	4250	4250	4200	4250	4300	4200	4150
3.	Rajasthan	4000	3950	4150	4150	4150	4200	4250	4200	4150
4.	J & K/H.P.	4000	4000	4200	4200	4200	4250	3300	4200	4150

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
5.	Maharashtra	4450	4400	4650	4500	4500	4550	4600	4550	4500
6.	Gujarat	4300	4250	4450	4350	4350	4400	4450	4400	4350
7.	M.P.	4100	4000	4200 (4100)*	4100	4100	4150	4200	4150	4100
8.	West Bengal/Orissa	4400	4250	4400	4350	4350	4400	4450	4400	4350
9.	Bihar	4300	4190	4350	4300	4300	4350	4400	4350	4300
10.	Tamil Nadu	4500	4500	4750	4600	4600	4650	4700	4650	4600
11.	Andhra Pradesh	4450	4450	4700	4550	4550	4600	4650	4600	4550
12.	Karnataka	4550	4550	4750	4600	4600	4650	4700	4650	4600
13.	Kerala	4600	4600	4800	4600	4600	4650	4700	4650	4600

\* Price of wheat in M.P. under open sale reduced to Rs 4100/- w.e.f. 4.3.94

### STATEMENT-II

Open Sale Price of Wheat fixed for the months of April 1995 to July 1996

							Rate Rs Per MT	
S. No.	Name of the State	April to July.95	28th Aug to Sept.95	Oct 95	Centre	Nov 95 to Mar 96	April- July96	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1.	Punjab	4100	4150	4150	Chandigarh	4150	4410	
2.	Haryana	4100	4150	4150	Chandigarh	4150	4410	
3.	Delhi	4150	4200	4150	Delhi	4150	4410	
4.	U.P.	4100	4150	4150	Lucknow	4300	4600	
					Kanpur	4300	4600	
					Varanasi	4360	4660	
5.	Rajasthan	4150	4200	4250	Jaipur	4300	4600	
6.	Himachal Pd.	4150	4200	4250	Shimla	4250	4550	
7.	J & K	4150	4200	4200	Jammu	4200	4500	
					Srinagar	4200	4500	
8.	Bihar	4300	4350	4400	Patna	4420	4720	
					Ranchi	4450	4750	
9.	Assam	-	-	4450	*Guwahati	*4450	4900	
10.	Orissa	4350	4400	4475	Cuttack	4500	4800	
					Bhubaneshwar	4500	4800	
11.	West Bengal	4350	4400	4475	Calcutta	4510	4810	
					Siliguri	4520	4820	
12.	Madhya Pradesh	4100	4150	4250	Indore	4350	4650	
					Gwalior	4280	4580	
					Raipur	4430	4730	
13.	Gujarat	4350	4400	4500	Ahmedabad	4570	4870	
					Surat	4570	4870	
14.	Maharashtra	4350	4450	4550	Bombay	4600	4900	
					Nagpur	4560	4860	
15.	Andhra Pradesh	4550	4600	4600	Hyderabad	4650	4950	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
					Vishakhapatnam	4670	4970
16.	Karnataka	4550	4600	4650	Bangalore	4670	4970
					Mysore	4690	4990
					Belgaum	4690	4990
17.	Tamil Nadu	4550	4650	4650	Madras	4680	4980
					Coimbatore	4700	5000
					Madurai	47-10	5010
18.	Kerala	4550	4650	4700	Cochin	4740	5040
					Trivandrum	4740	5040

In case of open sale at Depots at other centres, the rate fixed for nearest major centre shall apply w.e.f. November, 1995

The price of wheat for Port Towns and areas within 50 Kms. thereof is Rs 4773/- with effect from 16.1.96 & Rs 5073/- with effect from 1.4.96

Bereilly has been added as additional centre with price of Rs 4150/- per tonne w.e.f. 1.2.96 & Rs 4410/- w.e.f. 1.4.96

\*Enhanced to Rs 4600 w.e.f. December, 1995

### STATEMENT-III

*Open Sale Price of Rice Fixed for the Months of Feb 94 to September, 1995*

S. No.	Name of the State	Feb./ Mar./ April 94	May 94	June/ July 94	Aug./ Sept. 94	Oct. 94 1.10.94 to 16.10.94	w.e.f. 17.10.94	Nov./ Dec. 94	Jan. 95 to Mar.95	April 1995 to Sep.95
1.	Punjab	6500	6600	6550	6550	7150	7050	7050	7000	7000
2.	Haryana	6600	6600	6550	6500	7150	7050	7050	6950	6950
3.	U.P.	6600	6600	6550	6550	7150	6800	6800	6800	6800
4.	Rajasthan	6600	6600	6550	6550	7150	6900	6900	6800	6800
5.	J & K	6600	6600	6550	6550	7150	6900	6900	6800	6800
6.	Delhi	6700	6700	6600	6600	7200	6900	6900	6700	6700
7.	Maharashtra	6800	6800	6700	6650	7250	6800	6800	6600	6600
8.	Gujarat	6800	6800	6700	6650	7250	6800	6800	6600	6600
9.	Madhya Pradesh	6600	6600	6550	6550	7150	6700	6700	6600	6600
10.	W Bengal	6600	6600	6550	6550	7150	6800	6800	6600	6600
11.	Bihar	6600	6600	6550	6550	7150	6800	6800	6600	6600
12.	Orissa	6600	6600	6550	6550	7150	6750	6750	6650	6650
13.	Tamilnadu	7000	6900	6700	6650	7250	6800	6800	6600	6600
14.	Karnataka	7000	6900	6700	6650	7250	6800	6800	6600	6600
15.	Andhra Pd	6600	6600	6550	6550	7150	6700	6700	6600	6600
16.	Kerala	7100	7000	6700	6650	7250	6800	6800	6800	6800

**Note** Price of Fine Rice was Rs 200/- per MT less than that of Super Fine Rice during Feb 94 to May 94 in all Regions except in AP where the price of Fine Rice Was Rs 100/- per MT less than that of super fine Rice From June 94 to Sept 95, the price of fine rice is Rs 300/- per MT less than that of super fine rice

## STATEMENT-IV

Open sale price of Rice fixed for the month of October, 1995 to July, 1996

(Rates Rupees/per MT)

S.No.	Name of the State	October, 95		November, 95		Dec.95 to June, 96		July, 1996	
		fine	super-fine	fine	super-fine	fine	super-fine	fine	super-fine
1	Punjab	6700	7000	6750	7050	7050	7350	7050	7350
2	Haryana	6650	6950	6780	7000	7000	7300	7000	7300
3	Utter Pradesh	6500	6800	6600	6900	6900	7200	6900	7200
4	Rajasthan	6500	6800	6550	6850	7000	7150	7500	7650
5	J & K	6500	6800	6500	6800	6680	7000	6680	7000
6	Delhi	6400	6700	6700	7000	6740	7060	6740	7060
7	Maharashtra	6300	6600	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450
8	Gujarat	6300	6600	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450
9	Madhya Pradesh	6300	6600	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450
10	W Bengal	6300	6600	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450
11	Bihar	6300	6600	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450
12	Orissa	6350	6650	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450
13	Tamilnadu	6300	6600	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450
14	Karnataka	6300	6600	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450
15	Andhra Pd.	6300	6600	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450
16	Kerala	6300	6600	6450	6750	6630	6950	7130	7450

\* The price of rice for port towns and areas within 50 Kms thereof, will be Rs 50/- per tonne less than the Export price

[English]

#### Private Sector Airlines

\*230 SHRI K P SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether any co-ordination exists between Indian Airlines and the private airlines about the routes on which the later operate.

(b) whether the Government give any direction to private airlines to operate on specific routes which are not covered by Indian Airlines.

(c) whether the Government also specifies the number of flights which different private airlines operate per week and

(d) if so the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C M IBRAHIM) : (a) and (b). Airline operators are free to choose their routes. However as per the existing guidelines laid down by the Government all scheduled operators are required to deploy in the North-East Jammu & Kashmir Andaman & Nicobar and

Lakshadweep atleast 10% of their capacity deployed on trunk routes.

(c) No. Sir

(d) Does not arise

#### Export of Foodgrains

\*231 SHRI B L SHARMA PREM

SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state

(a) the quantum of surplus foodgrains available for international trading for the last three years and current year year-wise and grain-wise

(b) the avenues being exploited for effective and proper disposal of such surplus foodgrains in the global grain market and

(c) the likely impact of export on prices and availability of foodgrains for domestic consumption?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV)

(a) It is not possible to estimate precisely surplus