

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:648
ANSWERED ON:11.05.2000
ISSUE PRICE OF PALMOLEIN
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have any proposal to reduce the issue price of palmolein;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the date from which the reduction is likely to take place;
- (c) whether the Union Government are providing palmolein to the States on different rates;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the rate of issue, State-wise; and
- (e) the extent to which it is likely to help the poor people?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI SHANTA KUMAR)

(a), (b), (c), (d) & (e) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) ,(b), (c), (d) & (e) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 648 FOR ANSWER THE LOK SABHA ON 11-05-2000.

(a), (b), (c), (d) & (e):The Central Issue Price (CIP) of imported RBD Palmolein being supplied to States/U.Ts for supply through the Public Distribution System has been reduced with effect from 24.4.2000 to Rs.18,000/- per tonne in case of supplies made in bulk, i.e., loose and Rs.20,000/- per tonne in case of supplies made in 15 Kg. tins. This reduction is applicable uniformly to all States/U.Ts. The CIP is uniform and as such there is no difference in prices for different States as far as Government of India is concerned. As the PDS scheme is a part of the poverty alleviation programme, this reduction is expected to provide further relief to the target group.