GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4910 ANSWERED ON:28.04.2008 IMPROVEMENT IN OFF TAKE Sai Shri Nand Kumar;Singh Shri Sugrib

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the off-take under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) has shown improvement in the country during the period 2005-06 to 2007-08;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard indicating the allocation and off-take under the said schemes during the said period, State-wise and year-wise;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to further extend the coverage of the said schemes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

- (a): Yes, Sir. The offtake under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) in the country during the year 2005-06 was 43.4% which has increased to 84.7% during 2007-08.
- (b): Statements indicating allocation and offtake of foodgrains under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) for the year 2005-06 to 2007-08 are at Annexe I to III.
- (c)&(d): There is no proposal at present to further extend the coverage under this scheme.