

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for the distribution of additional 50 lakh tonnes of foodgrains through the Public Distribution System (PDS) to the poor people during the current financial year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the quantum and price of foodgrains to be distributed to the BPL and Above Poverty Line families separately, State-wise; and
- (c) the time frame prescribed for distribution of the said foodgrains?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) to (c): Government has made a special adhoc additional allocation of 50 lakh tons of foodgrains @ 25 lakh tons each in September 2010 and January 2011 to States/ Union Territories (UTs) for Below Poverty Line (BPL) families under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS). The State-wise details of the allocations made are as per Annex.

The allocations have been made for the BPL families at the BPL Central Issue Price (CIP) of Rs. 4.15 per kg for wheat and Rs 5.65 per kg for rice. These allocations are for distribution during six months period from the date of allocations.