

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:816

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BASIS OF ALLOCATION

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

- (a) whether the allocation of foodgrains for the poor in the States is done on the basis of the projection made by the Planning Commission;
- (b) if so, the present projection along with the foodgrains allocated during the current year, based on the said projections, State-wise;
- (c) the data on which the said projection is based along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): Under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS), allocation of foodgrains to States/Union Territories (UTs) is made on the basis of 1993-94 poverty estimates of Planning Commission and March 2000 population estimates of Registrar General of India. As per these estimates, Government is making allocation of foodgrains for all accepted number of 6.52 crore Below Poverty Line (BPL) families, including 2.43 crore Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) families in the country @ 35 kg. per family per month.

The state-wise details of the accepted number of BPL families and allocation of foodgrains made during the current year (including adhoc additional allocations) are at Annexure I, II & III.

Considering the availability of surplus stocks in the Central Pool and the requests received from the States/UTs for higher allocation, Government has been making additional allocation of foodgrains over and above the normal allocation under TPDS for BPL families from time to time to enable the State Governments/UT Administration to meet their additional requirement. Details of additional allocation of foodgrains made to States/UTs during the current year 2012-13 are at Annex-II & III.