

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:322  
ANSWERED ON:06.08.2013  
FOODGRAINS UNDER OMSS  
Reddy Shri Magunta Srinivasulu

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

- (a) whether foodgrains are provided to the States with subsidy under the Open Market Sales Scheme (OMSS);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the terms and conditions thereunder, State-wise;
- (c) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has submitted any proposal for allocation of any other item along with foodgrains under the said Scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon, so far?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b): Yes Madam. Government of India has decided to allocate 4 lakh tonnes of wheat and 5 lakh tonnes of rice to State Governments/Union Territories for distribution to retail consumers at subsidized rates which are less than the economic cost.

Wheat under the scheme is released at Rs.1500/- per quintal plus freight charges from Ludhiana to the concerned State/UT Capital. Rice under the scheme is released to States/UTs at MSP (Minimum Support Price) derived value of rice based on MSP of common variety of paddy for KMS (Kharif Marketing Season) 2012-13 i.e. Rs.1250 + average freight incurred by FCI as part of its distribution cost of rice.

(c): No Madam.

(d): Does not arise.