

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1856
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2023**

DETAILS OF ITEMS INCLUDED IN CPI-IW BASE

**1856. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN:
SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR:**

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of 465 items which are included in CPI-IW base year 2016 along with their respective weightage percentage at present;**
- (b) whether weightage of above items have been changed during 2021, 2022 and 2023 till date;**
- (c) if so, the details of such changes; and**
- (d) if not, the reasons for lower CPI-IW when inflation has been highest in three decades?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a) to (d): The 465 items which are included in Consumer Price Index Numbers for Industrial Workers (CPI-IW) with base year 2016=100 are classified in various groups. The groups along with their respective weightage percentage at present are given below :

Groups	CPI-IW (2016=100) (Weight %)
Food & Beverages	39.20
Pan, Supari, Tobacco & Intoxicants	1.80
Clothing & Footwear	5.95
Housing	17.75
Fuel & Light	5.49
Miscellaneous	29.81
Total	100.00

The weights once finalized during base year, remains unchanged throughout the life of series except for fruits and vegetable items which are affected by seasonality factor.

The rate of inflation measured by CPI-IW has been moderate in recent months as compared to the data for last three decades.
