

Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
Department of Consumer Affairs

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1433
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2017

PRICE MONITORING CELLS

1433. SHRI B.N. CHANDRAPPA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up Price Monitoring Cell (PMC) to give suggestion on the pricing of essential commodities and if so, the details of the roles and responsibilities of the PMC;
- (b) whether the prices of some of the essential commodities are monitored by PMC and if so, the details thereof, year-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has received all the necessary information on the price trends and availability of essential food items during the last three years and if so, the details thereof, year-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal to set up any effective mechanism to control the prices of essential commodities and ensure their availability to the common people; and
- (e) if so, the details of the steps taken so far by the Government in this regard ?

ANSWER

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण राज्य मंत्री
(श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c) : The Price Monitoring Cell (PMC), set up in the Department of Consumer Affairs is monitoring, on a daily basis, prices of 22 essential food items which includes cereals (rice and wheat), pulses (gram, arhar, urad, moong and masoor dal), vegetables (potato, onion and tomato), edible oils (groundnut, mustard, vanaspati, soya, sunflower and palm oil) & others (atta, milk, sugar, tea, gur and salt). Price trends for last three years, based on the information from reporting centres is at **Annexure**.

(d) to (e) : The price trends and availability of select essential food items are monitored on regular basis at the highest levels, including by Committee of Secretaries, Inter Ministerial Committee etc. for appropriate policy intervention.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1433 FOR 25.07.2017 REGARDING PRICE MONITORING CELLS.

ALL INDIA DAILY AVERAGE PRICES

Commodity	Daily Average Retail Price (₹/Kg)				Daily Average Wholesale Price(₹/Qtl)			
	Price As On	1 Year Ago	2 years Ago	3 Years Ago	Price As On	1 Year Ago	2 years Ago	3 Years Ago
	19-07-17	19-07-16	17-07-15	18-07-14	19-07-17	19-07-16	17-07-15	18-07-14
Rice	29.63	27.51	28.13	28.36	2657	2450	2523	2539
Wheat	23.68	23.29	23.35	21.55	2102	2075	2082	1925
Atta (Wheat)	25.92	24.73	25.35	23.56	2274	2176	2238	2077
Gram Dal	81.77	95.63	60.05	46.19	7467	8956	5544	4138
Tur/Arhar Dal	78.67	139.56	98.68	70.57	7086	13092	9351	6576
Urad Dal	90.47	151.72	99.51	73.69	8207	14297	9393	6858
Moong Dal	76.91	97.04	98.29	87.43	6902	8896	9233	8209
Masoor Dal	68.35	86.29	81.95	67.16	6007	8026	7727	6207
Sugar	42.84	39.72	29.43	36.65	4016	3707	2641	3415
Milk @	41.49	40.23	38.95	37.27	3803	3748	3685	3634
Groundnut Oil (Packed)	131.19	134.38	121.47	122	12315	12742	11481	11338
Mustard Oil (Packed)	106.09	108.12	104.41	97.82	9622	9992	9744	8910
Vanaspati (Packed)	77.43	73.99	75.61	77.46	7048	6874	7019	7131
Soya Oil (Packed)	84.09	82.86	82.27	84.76	7647	7682	7656	7861
Sunflower Oil (Packed)	92.38	95.35	92.19	96.39	8563	8997	8769	8917
Palm Oil (Packed)	68.9	68.83	65.06	70.26	6376	6422	6147	6600
Gur	45.27	42.2	42.16	41.1	4058	3802	3655	3696
Tea Loose	203.43	196.91	205.13	205	17988	17617	18569	18260
Salt Pack (Iodised)	15.1	14.76	14.57	14.76	1246	1254	1247	1263
Potato	15.38	22.99	16	24.87	1144	1820	1221	1978
Onion	14.75	17.12	27.97	29.44	1053	1304	2312	2387
Tomato	63.53	40.55	29.66	38.49	5330	3312	2323	3186

Source:- State Civil Supplies Department @: ₹/ltr.
