

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 9
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST JULY, 2015

PDS BENEFICIARIES

9. SHRIMATI KOTHAPALLI GEETHA:
SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

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

- (a) whether the proportion of Indian households using the Public Distribution System (PDS) has nearly doubled over the last seven years and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether these households are relying on the PDS more than ever before in comparison to open market sources, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the monthly per capita consumption of grain bought from the PDS has grown both in rural and urban areas while the amount of grain brought from other market sources has fallen; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

A N S W E R
MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) to (d): Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation's National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) in its Consumer expenditure survey collects data on domestic consumption of different food and non-food items. Quantity consumed from PDS and/or other sources is separately collected for rice, wheat, sugar and kerosene. Information on 'Per capita consumption and percentage of households reporting consumption from PDS of rice, wheat/atta, sugar and kerosene' during NSS 61st round (July 2004-June 2005), NSS 66th round (July 2009-June 2010) and NSS 68th round (July 2011-June 2012) for both rural and urban sector at all-India level is given in Annex-I.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 09 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 21.07.2015 IN THE LOK SABHA

Per capita consumption and percentage of households reporting consumption from PDS of rice, wheat/atta, sugar and kerosene during 2004-05, 2009-10 and 2011-12, all-India

item	2004-05		2009-10			2011-12			% of hhs reporting consumption from PDS during 30 days			
	monthly per capita consumption (kg)		in qty. consumed	monthly per capita consumption (kg)		in qty. consumed	monthly per capita consumption (kg)		in qty. consumed			
	PDS	other sources		PDS	other sources		PDS	other sources		2004-05	2009-10	2011-12
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
Rural												
rice	0.839	5.537	13.2	1.408	4.594	23.5	1.670	4.306	27.9	24.4	39.1	45.9
wheat/atta	0.307	3.885	7.3	0.619	3.625	14.6	0.744	3.544	17.3	11.0	27.6	33.9
sugar	0.062	0.587	9.6	0.097	0.563	14.7	0.113	0.603	15.8	15.9	27.8	33.7
kerosene*	0.477	0.142	77.1	0.511	0.081	86.3	0.431	0.103	80.8	72.8	81.8	75.6
Urban												
rice	0.530	4.181	11.3	0.814	3.706	18.0	0.882	3.605	19.6	13.1	20.5	23.3
wheat/atta	0.167	4.192	3.8	0.371	3.706	9.1	0.406	3.605	10.1	5.8	17.6	19.0
sugar	0.054	0.763	6.6	0.080	0.700	10.3	0.084	0.732	10.3	11.5	18.7	20.6
kerosene*	0.350	0.268	56.6	0.295	0.169	63.6	0.230	0.166	58.1	32.8	33.0	30.0

* qty in litres

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