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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 836 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01ST MARCH, 2016

NUTRITIOUS FOOD UNDER PDS

836. SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE: SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT: SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR PRADHAN: DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:

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 proposes to distribute nutritious food to the beneficiaries under the Public Distribution System, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether necessary preparations and arrangements have been made by the Government in this regard, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has also consulted the Ministries concerned in this regard, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the said Ministries thereto; and

(d) the time by which this scheme is likely to be introduced in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a)& (b) : The Government of India has been providing Rice, Wheat and Coarse grains at subsidized rates to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS). There is no proposal to include additional items at present.

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