

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2596  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST, 2016

POINT OF SALE MACHINES

2596. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:

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 point of sale equipment in Fair Price Shops for the identification of beneficiaries under the scheme of automation of Fair Price Shops;
- (b) if so, the details and the current implementation status thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide incentives to the States that achieve cent per cent implementation of the scheme, if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to achieve cent per cent coverage of the scheme?

A N S W E R

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

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(a) to (d): This Department has prepared guidelines for Fair Price Shop (FPS) automation, which have been shared with all States/UTs. FPS automation involves, installation of Point of Sale (PoS) devices at FPS for authentication of beneficiaries, recording of sales to beneficiaries at the FPS; and uploading of transaction data in central server. As regards financial assistance, Government has approved norms for expenditure on FPS dealers' margins @ Rs. 87/qtl. under NFSA, which also includes Rs. 17/qtl. for purchase and operations of the e-PoS machines. Such expenditure is shared between Centre and State Govts. on 75:25 basis for special category States/UTs and on 50:50 basis for general category States/UTs. A State/UT wise details of operational e-POS is enclosed.

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ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION  
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S. No.	States/UTs	Operational ePoS
1	Andhra Pradesh	28,942
2	Andaman & Nicobar	3
3	Chhattisgarh	11,828
4	Daman & Diu	51
5	Delhi	34
6	Gujarat	17,000
7	Haryana	20
8	Jharkhand	2,198
9	Karnataka	3,877
10	Madhya Pradesh	22,401
11	Maharashtra	93
12	Odisha	32
13	Rajasthan	24,647
14	Sikkim	20
15	Tamil Nadu	12,297
16	Telangana	1,622
17	Tripura	25
18	Uttar Pradesh	6
19	Uttarakhand	8
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,25,104</b>

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