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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 282 TO BE ANSWERED ON $19^{TH}$ JULY, 2016

## **INCREASE IN PDS QUOTA**

282. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

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 any proposal to increase the quantum of various items supplied under the Public Distribution System (PDS) in all the States; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) & (b): Department of Food & Public Distribution allocates foodgrains (rice, wheat and coarse grains) to all States/UTs for distribution through the Targeted Public Distribution system (PDS). Department of Food & Public Distribution also provides subsidy to States/UTs who procure and distribute Sugar under the PDS. Further, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas also distributes kerosene through PDS. Department of Food & Public Distribution and Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas have no proposal to increase the quantum of items supplied under the PDS.

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