

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:377

ANSWERED ON:01.03.2002

STOPPAGE OF PDS COMMODITIES TO INCOME TAX PAYEES

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have decided not to issue subsidised ration to income tax payees;
- (b) if so, the number of cardholders in the country, who are not being issued subsidised ration as a consequence thereto;
- (c) whether the Government propose to issue special ration cards to income tax payees under a special scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI PRADHAN)

(a)&(b): No Sir. However, the supply of levy sugar under PDS has been restricted only to BPL families in all States/UTs except the North-Eastern States, Hill States and Island territories w.e.f. 1.2.2001.

(c): No Sir.

(d): Does not arise.