

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3081

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REDUCTION IN PRICES OF PDS COMMODITIES

HARIBHAI PARTHIBHAI CHAUDHARY;MANIBHAI RAMJIBHAI CHAUDHARY;NEDURUMALLI JANARDHANA REDDY;SHYAMA SINGH

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

- (a) whether the Union Government propose to further reduce the cost of PDS commodities in view of buffer stocks of foodgrains;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Union Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a),(b)&(c): Yes, Sir. A proposal to reduce Central Issue Prices (CIPs) of PDS foodgrains is under consideration.