

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

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

- (a) the base depots in the country from where foodgrains for below poverty line/above poverty line families are not supplied simultaneously;
- (b) whether the said depots propose to supply the foodgrains simultaneously; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a): Food Corporation of India's base depots in different States supply foodgrains, both for Below Poverty Line (BPL) and Above Poverty Line (APL) families, except 10 Base Depots in Madhya Pradesh and 8 Base Depots in Chattisgarh from where stocks for meeting the requirements of BPL, Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) and Mid Day Meal (MDM) are supplied.

(b)&(c): As the 18 depots referred to above are of small capacity i.e. 200 to 1000 MT, it may not be possible for the present to meet the requirements of APL or Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) and other Welfare Schemes from these depots. However, these requirements are being met from other base depots in Madhya Pradesh and Chattisgarh.