

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2500  
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2004  
QUALITY OF FOODGRAIN PROVIDED FOR A.A.Y.  
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**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the quantum of foodgrains being provided under Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) and Mid-day meal schemes, State-wise;
- (b) the number of complaints received from different States regarding supply of rotten wheat and tasteless rice to the consumers under the said schemes;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to prevent distribution of poor quality foodgrains;
- (d) whether any arrangements are being made by the Government to ensure immediate distribution of the foodgrains to the consumers;
- (e) if so, whether the Government is contemplating to constitute monitoring committee at Central level in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION ( DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH )

- (a): Quantum of foodgrains (wheat and rice) allocated to various States/UTs during 2004-05, upto July, 2004, under Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) and Mid-day meal (MDM) scheme is at Annexure.
- (b): No such complaints have been received from any States/UTs during 2004-05 so far.
- (c): The following steps have been taken to ensure that only good quality foodgrains are supplied to the State Governments/UTs for distribution under various schemes:
  - (i) Inspectors of State Governments/UTs have the opportunity to inspect the foodgrains stocks prior to lifting from the Food Corporation of India (FCI) godowns.
  - (ii) The samples of foodgrains are to be jointly drawn and sealed by the officers of the States/UTs and the FCI from the stocks for display at the counters of Fair Price Shops (FPSs) for the benefit of the consumers.
  - (iii) The officers of the State Governments` and the Ministry conduct surprise checks of the FPSs to oversee the quality of foodgrains being distributed through Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS).
- (d): PDS is the joint responsibility of the Central and the State Governments where the responsibility for distribution of foodgrains to ultimate consumers under the said schemes rests with the concerned States/UTs only. In order to ensure prompt distribution, a network of 4.76 lakh Fair Price Shops (FPS) exists in the country.
- (e) & (f): No, Sir.

**ANNEXURE**

Annexure to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2500 due for answer on 16.08.2004 showing State-wise allocation under AAY & MDM during 2004-05.

(Figure in `000 Tonnes)

Sl.No. State Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) Mid-day Meal Scheme (MDM)

Rice Wheat Total Rice Wheat Total

1. Andhra Pradesh 130.83 0.00 130.83 213.41 0.00 213.41

2. Arunachal Pradesh 2.66 0.00 2.66 3.56 0.00 3.56  
3. Assam 39.41 0.00 39.41 101.63 0.00 101.63  
4. Bihar 56.00 84.00 140.00 113.67 164.34 278.01  
5. Chhattisgarh 60.38 0.00 60.38 56.57 0.00 56.57 6. Delhi 1.28 3.20 4.48 10.78 10.78 21.56  
7 Goa 1.02 0.00 1.02 1.23 0.00 1.23  
8. Gujarat 9.10 36.40 45.5 30.11 30.11 60.22  
9. Haryana 0.00 20.71 20.71 2.80 43.28 46.08 10. Himachal Pradesh 6.30 4.72 11.02 17.52 0.00 17.52 11. Jammu & Kashmir 14.19  
4.48 18.67 44.33 0.00 44.33 12. Jharkhand 28.40 22.91 51.31 82.00 0.00 82.00 13. Karnataka 80.61 20.15 100.76 111.86 5.03  
116.89 14. Kerala 50.04 0.00 50.04 42.63 0.00 42.63 15. Madhya Pradesh 19.92 112.90 132.82 39.07 120.91 159.98 16.  
Maharashtra 71.99 133.71 205.70 222.30 0.00 222.30 17. Manipur 3.57 0.00 3.57 9.17 0.00 9.17 18. Meghalaya 4.92 0.00 4.92  
10.06 0.00 10.06 19. Mizoram 2.19 0.00 2.19 1.82 0.00 1.82 20. Nagaland 3.20 0.79 3.99 3.47 0.00 3.47 21. Orissa 70.77 0.00  
70.77 121.62 0.00 121.62 22. Punjab 0.00 10.04 10.04 0.00 43.22 43.22 23. Rajasthan 0.89 76.63 77.52 2.66 165.90 168.56 24.  
Sikkim 1.39 0.00 1.39 1.67 0.00 1.67 25. Tamil Nadu 100.00 0.00 100.00 86.12 0.00 86.12 26. Tripura 6.33 0.00 6.33 9.16 0.00  
9.16 27. Uttar Pradesh 117.89 225.96 343.85 183.89 325.02 508.91 28. Uttaranchal 7.49 3.19 10.68 16.22 1.58 17.80 29. West  
Bengal 51.30 51.30 102.60 297.31 0.00 297.31 30. Andaman & Nicobar 0.43 0.17 0.60 0.77 0.00 0.77 31. Chandigarh 0.30 0.00  
0.30 0.00 0.97 0.97 32. Dadar & Nagar Haveli 0.28 0.11 0.39 0.60 0.00 0.60 33. Daman & Diu 0.06 0.03 0.09 0.30 0.00 0.30 34.  
Lakshadweep 0.06 0.00 0.06 0.00 0.00 0.00 35. Pondicherry 1.75 0.00 1.75 1.06 0.00 1.06  
Total 944.95 811.40 1756.35 1839.37 911.14 2750.51