

(a) whether it is a fact that in the re-oriented Public Distribution System even low paid government employees and wage earners are deprived of the benefits of the system; and

(b) if so, the reasons for this change in the policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SARWAR HUSSAIN): (a) and (b). There is no change in Government's policy on PDS so far. The Government does not intend to reduce the number of beneficiaries of the System so far as weaker sections of the population are concerned.

Supply of Essential Commodities to Nagaland

987. SHRI SHIKIHO SEMA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the monthly allocation quota of wheat,

rice and other essential commodities for public distribution in the State of Nagaland.

(b) whether the full supply in regard thereto has been made, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of demand, supply and off-take of essential items during the months of June to October, 1990?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SARWAR HUSSAIN): (a) and (c). A Statement showing the demand, allocation and off-take during June, 1990 to October, 1990 by Nagaland is attached, commodity-wise.

(b) The central allocations of PDS items are made taking into account availability of stocks in central pool market availability, past off-take and other related factors. The Central allocations are supplemental in nature and are not intended to meet the full requirements of the States/ UTs.

STATEMENT

Demand, Allocation and offtake of selected commodities during June, 1990 to Oct 90 by Nagaland

	June 90	July 90	Aug 90	Sept 90	Oct 90
	1	2	3	4	5
<i>Rice (in thousand Tonnes)</i>					
Demand	11 0	9 25	9 25	9 25	9 25
Allocation	9 25	9 25	9 25	9 25	9 25
Offtake	7 3	10 8	12 1	5 7	10 0
<i>Wheat (in thousand tonnes)</i>					
Demand	8 0	6 25	6 25	6 25	8 25
Allocation	6 25	6 25	6 25	6 25	8 25
Offtake	5 0	6 8	3 3	5 8	7 3
<i>Sugar (levy) (in tonnes)</i>					
Offtake	579 0	435 0	433 0	497 0	496 0

	June 90	July 90	Aug 90	Sept. 90	Oct. 90
	1	2	3	4	5
<i>Imported Edible Oil</i> (in M. Tonnes)					
Demand	500	500	500	500	500
Allocation	300	300	400	400	400
Offtake	650	190	300	177	674
<i>Kerosene (tn Tonnes)</i>					
Allocation	797	762	762	762	762
<i>Soft Coke (in Tonnes)</i>					
Demand	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
Allocation	500	500	500	500	500