

**CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION** be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of foodgrains supplied through the PDS throughout the country during the last three years, and its percentage with regard to the total consumption of foodgrains, details State-wise and year-wise; and

(b) the price of the foodgrains sold through PDS during the last three years, year-wise and the price of the same foodgrains in the open market, in various States?

**THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV):** (a) The allocations and of-take of foodgrains through PDS during the years 1993-94, 1994-95, and 1995-96 are shown in Annexure [See Appendix 178, Annexure No. 63]. It is stated that the allocations through Public Distribution System are supplemental in nature and are not intended to meet the entire requirements of States/UTs. The States and UTs also make available foodgrains on their own, besides open market availability. There may be inter-State movement of foodgrains also. Thus the exact quantum of consumption of foodgrains in each State cannot be worked out.

(b) The year-wise Central Issue Price (C.I.P) of foodgrains during the last 3 years is as under:—

(Rs. per quintal)

Rice	Common	Fine	Superfine
From			
11.1.93	Rs. 437	497	518
01.2.94	Rs. 537	617	648
(Till date)			
<b>WHEAT</b>			
From			
11.1.93	Rs.330 per quintal		
01.2.94	Rs.402 per quintal		
(Till date)			

The Central Issue Prices are fixed on uniform basis. However, retail prices of these items in States will vary due to various incidental charges of the States. The State-wise open market prices are not maintained.

#### **Demand and Production of Coal**

**2716. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV:** Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise details of demand and actual production of coal in the country during the last two years;

(b) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to boost coal production; and

(c) the State-wise details of the coal production in the country as on date?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH):** (a) Demand of coal for the year 1994-95 and 1995-96 as assessed by the Planning Commission and the actual production of coal for these two years are as under:

(million tonnes)

Year	Demand	Production
1994-95	268.50	253.73
1995-96	298.80	270.13

(b) Steps taken to increase coal production in the country are as follows:

(i) Opening up of new mines and increasing efficiency and productivity in existing mines by modernisation, application of new technologies and ensuring timely availability of inputs and infrastructural facilities.

(ii) The capital base of Coal India Limited has been restructured to enable it to raise from the capital market additional financial resources which are required to add to new coal production capacity.

(iii) Co-ordination on continuous

basis with the Railways is maintained to remove transportation bottlenecks in such coalfields area which have potential for enhanced production.

(iv) Private sector companies engaged in production of iron and steel, cement and generation of power have been permitted to take up coal mining for their own use. This is expected to increase domestic coal production.

(v) Modification of existing washeries as well as construction of new washeries are being taken up to increase the availability of washed coking coal.

(c) Details of coal production in the country, State-wise, during 1995-96 are as under:

State	Production (Million Tonnes)
1. West Bengal	17.93
2. Bihar	74.53
3. Orissa	32.70
4. Madhya Pradesh	79.76
5. Maharashtra	22.82
6. Uttar Pradesh	14.80
7. Assam	0.82
8. Andhra Pradesh	26.77
	270.13

**आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान जनसंख्या की तुलना में ग्राम शक्ति में वृद्धि**

2717. श्री ओ० पी० कोहली: क्या ग्राम मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान अखिल भारतीय स्तर पर जनसंख्या वृद्धि का प्रतिशत क्या रहा है;

(ख) आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान ग्राम शक्ति में वृद्धि का प्रतिशत क्या रहा है;

(ग) आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान रोजगार वृद्धि का प्रतिशत क्या रहा है; और

(घ) कुल ग्राम शक्ति में बाल श्रमिकों का प्रतिशत क्या है?

ग्राम मंत्री (श्री एम० अरूपाचलम): (क) से (घ) चूंकि आठवीं योजना ने अपना कार्य-काल पूरा नहीं किया है इसलिए इस अवधि के दौरान जनसंख्या, जनशक्ति, रोजगार एवं बाल श्रम में प्रतिशत वृद्धि अभी तक उपलब्ध नहीं है। तथापि, आठवीं योजना दस्तावेज (खण्ड-1) के अनुसार, जनसंख्या, ग्राम शक्ति, रोजगार एवं बाल श्रम संबंधी आधार तथा प्रतापित अनुमान संलग्न विवरण में दिए गए हैं।

### विवरण

**आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान जनसंख्या की तुलना में ग्राम शक्ति में वृद्धि**

	1992 हेतु अनुमान	1997 हेतु प्रक्षेपण	विकास की औसत दर (प्रतिशत वार्षिक)
जनसंख्या	860.43	941.37	1.81
जन शक्ति	328.94	364.31	2.06
रोजगार	301.73	—	2.6 - 2.8
बाल श्रम	12.29	12.70	0.66

स्रोत: आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना दस्तावेज

### द्रंग में नमक का उत्पादन

2718. श्री महेश्वर सिंह: क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या हिमाचल प्रदेश के मण्डी जिले में द्रंग नामक स्थान पर नमक का उत्पादन शुरू हो गया है जहां केन्द्रीय सरकार ने लाखों रुपए खर्च किए हैं;

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो कब से और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा अब तक इस उद्योग पर कुल कितनी धन राशि खर्च की गई है?

उद्योग मंत्री (श्री मुरासोली मारन): (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) द्रंग की खदानों में घोल खनन