

Increase in the issue prices of commodities being sold through Fair Price Shops

138. SHRI N. E. BALARAM; Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to increase the issue prices of food items being supplied through Fair Price Shops and public distribution system; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SARWAR HUSSAIN): (a) and (b) The Central issue prices (ex-FCI godowns) of rice and wheat are revised from time to time consequent to increase in the support prices of paddy and wheat. The prevailing Central issue price of wheat is Rs 234 per quintal effective from 1st May, 1990 and in case of rice, it is Rs. 289, Rs. 349 and Rs. 370 per quintal for common, fine and superfine varieties respectively effective from 25th June, 1990.

The retail issue price of sugar supplied under public distribution system was last increased from Rs. 5.10 to Rs. 5.25 per kg. w.e.f. 1-1-1989.

F.P.S./P.D.S. outlets in rural-urban areas of the country

139 SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA; Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Fair Price Shops, as well as: Public Distribution outlets, State-wise with rural-urban break-up at the end of the year 1989;

(b) the number of such shops or outlets added or discontinued during the Year 1990; and

(c) what is the ratio of Fair Price Shops/Public Distribution outlets to the population covered separately for rural and urban areas in each State

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SARWAR HUSSAIN): (a) A. statement showing the number of Fair Price Shops (FPS), State-wise, with urban and rural break up, as on 31-12-1989 is given in the Statement enclosed. (See below)

(a) As per reports received from the State Governments/UT Administrations so far 4340 FPSs were added in 1990

(c) The ratio of population to the FPS separately for rural and urban areas State-wise, is not available. The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Statement

Statement showing the number of FPS/PDS outlets as on 31-12-1989

Name of State/UT.	No. of FPS/PDS outlets as on 31-12-89		
	Rural	Urban	Total
1	2	3	4
Andhra Pradesh	28729	6758	35487
Arunachal Pradesh	480	67	547
Assam	21545	2130	24175

1	2	3	4
Bihar	32357	7270	39627
		2432	12047
		138	550
		2021	6508
Himachai Pradesh	2931	208	3139
Jammu & Kashrrir	2054	524	2578
Kaimtaka	12401	4295	16696
Kerala		12954	12954
Madhya Fradjsh	17613	5392	23005
		9261	34381
		158	1652
		847	3063
		128	762
		190	318
Orissa	18621	2638	21259
Pupjpb	8554	2214	10768
Rajastlan	10471	3728	14199
		519	1216
		3749	21141
		120	1160
		11146	46754
		4846	19933
		67	274
		261	298
D & N Havili	57	••	57
Delhi	271	3279	»550
Daman & Diu	16	19	35
Lakshadwsep	18	12	30
Pondicherry	154	173	327
TOTAL		88044	358490