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15.	Madhya Pradesh	41.25	52.65	15.82	68.47
16.	Maharashtra	65.34	45.13	24.64	69.77
17.	Manipur	1.66	1.02	0.64	1.66
18.	Meghalaya	1.83	1.13	0.7	1.83
19.	Mizoram	0.68	0.42	0.26	0.68
20.	Nagaland	1.24	0.77	0.47	1.24
21.	Orissa	32.98	37.63	12.65	50.28
22.	Punjab	4.68	2.89	1.79	4.68
23.	Rajasthan	24.31	16.53	9.32	25.85
24.	Sikkim	0.43	0.27	0.16	0.43
25.	Tamil Nadu*	48.63	181.91	18.65	200.56
26.	Tripura	2.95	1.82	1.13	2.95
27.	Uttar Pradesh	106.79	65.84	40.95	106.79
28.	Uttaranchal	4.98	3.46	1.51	4.97
29.	West Bengal	51.79	37.98	14.8	52.78
30.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0.28	0.13	0.04	0.17
31.	Chandigarh	0.23	0.09	0.02	0.11
32.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0.18	0.12	0.05	0.17
33.	Daman and Diu	0.04	0.03	0.01	0.04
34.	Lakshdweep	0.03	0.02	0.012	0.03
35.	Pondicherry	0.84	1.14	0.32	1.46
TOTAL		652.03	842.78	242.75	1085.53

*Separate figures of APL/BPL cards have not been made available by the Government of Tamil Nadu as there is no distinction between APL and BPL categorisation of households

Stock of rice in FCI godowns in Orissa

2314. SHRI PYARIMOHAN MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the stock of rice held by Food Corporation of India in their godowns in Orissa as on 1st June and 1st July, 2009;

(b) the reasons for not moving out stocks elsewhere in the country with a view to procure further stock of rice from the summer crop of farmers; and

(c) the awareness of Government about widespread distress, sale by farmers in Orissa and the steps taken and proposed to be taken by Government to alleviate such distress?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) Stock of rice held by FCI in their godowns in Orissa as on 1st June 2009 and 1st July, 2009 were 5.98 lakh tonnes and 6.30 lakh tonnes respectively.

(b) There has been record procurement of wheat and rice in the country during Rabi Marketing Season 2009-10 and Kharif Marketing Season 2008-09 and FCI is facing shortage of storage space in various States. Due to increased procurement of boiled rice in Orissa, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal, there is shortage of storage capacity.

(c) There is no report of distress sale of paddy. In order to ensure Minimum Support Price (MSP) to farmers in Orissa, a schedule for accepting 6 lakh tones of rice (during the period August'09–November'09) by FCI has been worked out in consultation with the State Government and FCI has been advised to plan movement of rice out of Orissa accordingly.

Shortage of foodgrains under PDS in Assam

2315. SHRI KUMAR DEEPAK DAS: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a shortage of availability of foodgrains under Public Distribution System in Assam;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to improve the situation;

(c) the steps taken in connection with malpractices/misappropriation/selling/diverting the PDS items like wheat, rice in the open market during last three years in Assam along with the details thereof; and

(d) what steps have been taken to strengthen the PDS?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) to (d) The Central Government makes allocation of foodgrains to States/UTs, including the State of Assam, under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) @ 35 kgs. per family per month for all Below Poverty Line (BPL) and Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) families, on the basis of ration cards issued by the States/UTs or the number of households on the basis of poverty estimates of Planning Commission for 1993-94 and population projection of Registrar General of India as on 01.03.2000, *whichever is less*. Full allocations are made @ 35 kg per family per month under BPL/AAY categories.