†4997. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that despite Wholesale price Index (WPI) corning down, an increase was observed in Consumer Price index (CPI);
- (b) if so, the reaction of Government there to and reasons for both above mentioned price indices growing in different directions; and
- (c) whether the CPI has scaled up by 10 per cent to 15 per cent in the high populated States of the country and if so, names of the States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) The Central Statistic Office (CSO), Ministry of Statistic and Programme Implementation releases Consumer Price indices (CPI) on base 2010=100 for all India and States/UTs separately for rural, urban and combined with effect from January 2011. Annual inflation rates on year-on-year basis for CPI new series as compared to WPI inflation from January to April 2012 are given in table below:

JAN-12	FEB-12	MAR-12	APR 12
6.89	7.36	6.89	7.23
7.65	8.83	9.38	10.36
7.28	8.36	8.70	9.86
8.25	9.45	10.30	11.10
	6.89 7.65 7.28	6.89 7.36 7.65 8.83 7.28 8.36	6.89 7.36 6.89 7.65 8.83 9.38 7.28 8.36 8.70

Note: The figures are provisional for April in case of all indices and for March in case of WPI.

- (b) Differences between inflation rates measured in terms of Consumer Price Indices (CPIs) and Wholesale price Index (WPI) occur due to differences of weighting diagram, base year, commodity basket and coverage.
- (c) Annual inflation rates (Provisional) for April 2012 in respect of major States/UTs having population more than 50 lakhs (as per 2011 Population Census) are as under:

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Sl. No.	State/Ut	Inflation rates for April 2012 (Provisional)	
1.	Tamil Nadu	12.70	
2.	Rajasthan	12.46	
3.	Delhi	11.73	
4.	Gujarat	11.67	
5.	Uttarakhand	11.61	
6.	Karnataka	11.31	
7.	Jammu and Kashmir	10.98	
8.	Andhra Pradesh	10.20	
9.	Madhya Pradesh	10.18	
10.	Uttar Pradesh	10.17	
11.	West Bengal	10.12	
12.	Assam	10.08	
13.	Bihar	9.96	
14.	Maharashtra	9.72	
15.	Jharkhand	9.36	
16.	Odisha	9.27	
17.	Punjab	9.25	
18.	Chattisgarh	8.82	
19.	Himachal Pradesh	8.48	
20.	Kerala	8.46	
21.	Haryana	8.29	
All Ind	DIA	10.36	

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