

programmes of different Ministries/Departments through State Governments/UT Administrations to improve food security situation in the country. These include Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS), Integrated Child Development Service Scheme (ICDS) for pre-school children and pregnant and lactating mothers through the Ministry of Women and Child Development, National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) through Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Mid Day Meal Scheme (MDM) for primary and upper primary children through Ministry of Human Resource Development, Annapurna Scheme for the senior citizens, Nutritional Programme for Adolescent Girls, Emergency Feeding Programme, etc.

To further strengthen these efforts, Government has introduced National Food Security Bill (NFSB), 2011 in the Parliament on 22 December, 2011 which seeks to provide for food and nutritional security, inhuman life cycle approach, by ensuring access to adequate quantity of quality food. The Bill has provisions of nutritional support to children and women especially pregnant and lactating women.

#### **Correlation between MSP and food inflation**

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of food inflation over the last ten years;
- (b) whether there is a correlation between the increasing Minimum Support Price (MSP) and food inflation;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS) : (a) Details of food inflation over the last ten years is given in the Statement. (*See below*).

(b) to (d) Minimum Support Price (MSP) for a commodity is announced by the Government with the objective that the farmers are assured of remunerative price for their produce. A definite correlation between increasing MSP and food inflation has not been established since price rise is the result of several factors such as shortfall in domestic supplies relative to demand, hardening of international prices, changes in consumption pattern, adverse weather conditions, improvement in income and living standards and insufficient logistics and storage facilities.

**Statement***Detail of Inflation over last ten years*

Commodities	Based on WPI series (Base 1993-94)										Based on WPI series (Base 2004-05)			
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
FOOD ARTICLES	1.34	2.27	3.94	6.86	7.00	6.64	12.62	17.70	9.09	8.46				
FOOD GRAINS (CREAS+PULSES)	2.08	0.17	3.85	9.71	6.26	6.41	14.59	8.62	2.72	11.33				
CEREALS	2.86	0.28	3.68	6.66	6.96	7.22	13.34	7.72	3.87	9.54				
Rice	2.92	-1.48	4.01	2.13	6.09	8.93	16.11	7.56	3.24	8.90				
Wheat	2.29	3.30	1.03	13.02	6.78	5.02	7.78	7.78	-1.58	9.43				
PULSES	-3.13	-0.57	5.02	32.08	2.10	1.33	22.73	12.33	-1.81	18.76				
Gram	-8.34	-3.57	7.76	33.20	2.88	2.46	-1.10	-3.06	20.42	44.81				

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Arhar	10.47	8.65	-6.64	4.06	13.28	10.47	43.12	11.22	-12.73	3.28
Moong	-2.85	-7.31	9.87	40.46	-2.08	-3.05	34.44	46.29	-14.23	-0.32
Masur	5.59	6.28	0.88	3.70	20.38	24.02	20.04	-6.37	-20.74	12.19
Urad	-10.33	-1.50	11.75	60.35	-6.69	-10.54	28.60	35.65	-10.49	-8.46
FRUITS AND VEGETABLES	1.57	3.75	7.48	2.26	6.49	5.93	11.79	13.52	13.80	4.36
VEGETABLES	-7.21	10.14	8.28	3.44	14.98	4.25	17.80	8.28	7.65	10.48
Potato	-45.42	41.88	16.20	28.90	1.21	-6.52	47.09	-32.20	-3.43	49.85
Onion	12.19	6.63	7.12	-17.83	81.86	-20.50	40.50	11.94	4.83	-23.34
Tomato	-7.30	9.56	14.10	-9.30	17.06	10.48	7.77	13.00	14.26	-10.75
FRUITS	8.47	-0.51	6.94	1.33	0.00	7.44	6.63	18.71	19.38	-0.63
MILK	1.99	5.00	0.71	4.51	8.16	7.84	9.09	24.56	9.55	9.36
EGGS MEAT AND FISH	-2.62	1.06	9.45	6.73	6.39	3.74	14.74	30.86	11.49	15.81

FOOD PRODUCTS	8.09	6.44	1.56	2.55	3.43	9.79	13.89	7.73	5.84	7.50
Sugar	-5.93	16.60	15.09	4.82	-14.69	5.60	36.54	14.70	0.57	9.65
EDIBLE OILS	17.80	3.18	-7.17	1.22	13.11	12.54	-6.57	2.35	13.35	9.92
Vanspati	13.16	5.32	-3.73	3.04	6.78	9.12	1.27	5.34	9.02	1.57
Mustard and Repeseed Oil	35.46	0.22	-11.76	-1.29	14.50	24.57	-6.81	-1.73	12.97	17.34
Groundnut Oil	20.65	-4.88	-3.47	4.25	28.47	2.64	-6.78	13.47	9.99	19.54
Soyabean Oil	21.80	1.85	0.36	-5.28	8.17	8.47	-3.39	1.76	19.48	11.02
Sunflower Oil	4.08	1.74	-3.18	2.02	11.21	23.00	0.72	3.20	11.92	4.43
OTHER FOOD PRODUCTS	5.34	0.00	-2.41	2.73	7.25	13.29	4.54	6.03	10.82	5.07

Source: DIPP