

- (iii) Extending soft loan of ₹ 6000 crore from banks with interest subvention and moratorium for one year for sugar season 2014-15.
 - (iv) Smoothened the supply chain procedure for EBP and fixed its remunerative price.
 - (v) Waived excise duty on ethanol to be supplied for EBP in 2015-16 sugar season.
 - (vi) Import Duty increased from 25% to 40%.
 - (vii) Processing time under Advance Authorization Scheme reduced from 18 months to 6 months.
 - (viii) The "Duty Free Import Authorization" Scheme (DFIA) for sugar withdrawn to prevent possible leakages.
- (c) The above mentioned initiatives seek to mitigate liquidity crisis of the sugar industry and enable it to make timely payment of cane dues of the farmers. No additional funds have been earmarked for this purpose.

Prices of pulses in Kolkata, Mumbai, Chennai and Delhi

590. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state the retail price of different pulses in Kolkata, Mumbai, Chennai and Delhi as on 31 May, 2014 and 31 May, 2015, market-wise?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAMVILAS PASWAN): The requisite details are given as below:

Retail Prices of Major Pulses in 4 Metros (in ₹/kg)

Variety	31 May, 2014 [^]				31 May, 2015 ^{^^}			
	Kolkata	Mumbai	Chennai [#]	Delhi	Kolkata	Mumbai	Chennai	Delhi
Chana	45	64	50	50	62	68	66	70
Arhar	68	86	72	73	102	114	111	110
Urad	70	82	85	71	104	121	116	109
Moong	92	102	100	104	116	113	116	107
Masoor	60	73	75	69	84	89	90	94

Source: States/UTs Civil Supplies Deptts.

Note: [^] 31 May, 2014 being Saturday, Prices on 30th May, 2014 are shown.

^{^^} 31 May, 2015 being Sunday, Prices on 29th May, 2015 are shown.

[#] For Chennai, prices were non-reported between 29-30 May, 2014 and prices on 28th May, 2014 are shown.