CIVIL SUPPLIES

Essential commodities such as rice, wheat, sugar, kerosene, etc. are being distributed through Public Distribution System to 2.89 lakh family ration card holders through a network of 410 Fair Price Shops. Out of this, 330 Fair Price Shops are run by Cooperative Societies, 40 Fair Price Shops are run by PAPSCO and 40 Fair Price Shops are run by private and women individuals.

Steps are being taken to strengthen the existing Public Distribution System through various measures. Presently there is a Food Cell headed by a Superintendent of Police with Civil Supplies Inspectors to inspect and check malpractice and violation of Rules and Regulations in the Fair Price Shops and also to curb adulteration. An Enforcement Cell headed by a Tahsildar is also functioning in the Department.

PAPSCO is the wholesale nominee of this Department for procurement and delivery of essential commodities under Public Distribution System. This Department is providing financial assistance to M/s.PAPSCO by way of share capital. M/s.PAPSCO is also involved in conducting Lean Season Bazaars, Deepavali Bazaars etc., as market intervention strategy to prevent escalation of prices. Besides PDS activities, M/s.PAPSCO is also carrying out the sale of vegetables at reasonable rates, through various strategically located outlets.

At present 90,921 families have been identified by the U.T. Government as living below the poverty line. These families are entitled for 35 kgs. of rice (20 kgs @ Rs.4.00 per kg and balance 15 kgs @ Rs.6.00 per kg). The U.T. Government has taken a decision and implemented from August 2005 and supplying 15 Kgs per card @ Rs.4.00 per Kg and the remaining 15 kgs of rice @ Rs.6.00 per kg. Essential commodities like wheat (Rs.6.80/kg), Sugar (Rs.13.50/kg) and Kerosene (Rs.9.20 / litre) are supplied through fair price shops.

Further 2 kgs of sugar and 10 kgs of rice have been distributed to all card holders at free of cost during the Deepavali festival and after the heavy rain occurred during the last week of October, 2005.

OUTLAY AT A GLANCE

Sector : CIVIL SUPPLIES	No. of Schemes : 6
Department : CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS	

(Rs. in lakh)

Tenth Plan 2002-07 Approved Outlay	:	1200.00
Annual Plan 2004-05 Actual Expenditure	:	509.82
Annual Plan 2005-06 Approved Outlay	:	700.00
Annual Plan 2005-06 Revised Outlay	:	1400.00
Annual Plan 2006-07 Proposed Outlay	:	1965.00

(Rs. in lakh)

	Total	509.82	700.00	1400.00	1965.00
6.	Release of subsidy to newly wedded couples of BPL family for getting LPG connection		1.00	200.00	300.00
5.	Assistance to PAPSCO	55.00	200.00	50.00	50.00
4.	Share Capital Contribution to PAPSCO	35.00		35.00	370.00
3.	Consumer Protection & Consumer Education Programme.	8.57	7.81	48.90	12.38
2.	Expansion & Strengthening of Public Distribution System.	403.13	479.84	1053.10	1219.32
1.	Expansion of Food Cell	8.12	11.35	13.00	13.3
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
No.	Name of the Scheme	Actual Expenditure	Approved Outlay	Revised Outlay	Propose Outlay
SI.		2004-05	2005-		2006-07

Sector : CIVIL SUPPLIES

Implementing : CIVIL SUPPLIES & Department CONSUMER AFFAIRS

1. Name of the Scheme : Expansion of Food Cell

2. Objective of the Scheme

Conduct of inspection for curtailing black marketing and adulteration. Prosecuting defaulters under the Essential Commodities Act and acting as an enforcement agency of Civil Supplies Department.

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3.(a) Actual physical Achievement 2004-05 :

- i. 19 cases booked under Essential Commodities Act, 1955.
- ii. Inspection of Fair Price Shops.
- iii. Inspection of houses to eliminate bogus cards.

(b) Anticipated Physical Achievement 2005-06 :

- i. Anticipated to book 26 cases under Essential Commodities Act, 1955.
- ii. Inspection of Fair Price Shops.
- iii. Inspection of houses to eliminate bogus cards.
- iv. Construction of Food Cell Police Station at Karaikal.
- v. Acquisition of land and construction for accommodating Food Cell Police Station, Pondicherry.

(c) Programme envisaged for Annual Plan 2006-07 :

- i. Booking of 30 cases under Essential Commodities Act, 1955.
- ii. Inspection of Fair Price Shops.
- iii. Inspection of houses to eliminate bogus cards.
- **4. Remarks** : Continuing Scheme.

			Scheme No. 2
Sector	: CIVIL SUPPLIES		Implementing : CIVIL SUPPLIES & Department CONSUMER AFFAIRS
1.	Name of the Scheme	:	Expansion and Strengthening of Public Distribution System

2. Objective of the Scheme

To distribute the essential commodities to the public through Fair Price Shops and computerization of Ration cards in order to maintain speedy disbursement of cards and conduct of New Enumeration for the issue of new ration cards.

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3.(a) Actual physical Achievement 2004-05 :

- i. Release of subsidy to PAPSCO for supply of rice to BPL families at the subsidized rate of Rs.4.00/- per Kg.
- ii. Upgraded the existing Computer System of this Department.
- iii. Released financial assistance to Fair Price Shops to compensate the loss.
- iv. Released Transportation charges on Anthyodaya Anna Yojana Scheme.
- v. Conducted Deepavali / Pongal Bazaars in Pondicherry & Karaikal regions.
- vi. Conducted New Enumeration for the issue of New Ration Cards to the residents of the UT of Pondicherry.
- vii. Conducted Onam Chanda in Mahe region
- viii. Release of payment to CONFED.
- ix. Annual Maintenance charges to computer, AC and Fax Machine.
- x. Laid false ceiling, wallpapers and floor to computer room.
- xi. Structure ceiling works to computer room.
- xii. Constructed one additional room in existing first floor of the building.

(b) Anticipated Physical Achievement 2005-06 :

- Under Public Distribution System 20 Kgs. of rice per month is distributed to BPL families at a subsidized price of Rs.4/- per Kg. and the balance 15 Kgs.
 @ Rs.6/- per Kg.
- ii. Release of Financial assistance to Fair Price Shops to compensate the loss.
- iii. Release of Transportation charges on Anthyodaya Anna Yojana Scheme.
- iv. Conduct of Deepavali/Pongal Bazaars in Pondicherry & Karaikal regions.
- v. Conduct of a new enumeration for the issue of new ration cards to left out cases after verification.
- vi. Annual Maintenance charges to computer, AC, Fax Machine, Intercom, etc. and purchase of assets.
- vii. To issue 10 Kgs. of free rice for Pongal Festival to BPL families.
- viii. Supply of rice, sugar, and wheat at subsidized rate APL families.
- ix. Conduct of Onam Chanda.

Programme envisaged for Annual Plan 2006-07 :

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- ix. Conduct of Onam Chanda.

4. Remarks : Continuing Scheme.

Creation of functional and ministerial posts

Scheme No. 3

Sector	: CIVIL SUPPLIES		Implementing : CIVIL SUPPLIES & Department CONSUMER AFFAIRS
1.	Name of the Scheme	:	Consumer Protection and Consumer Education Programme.

2. Objective of the Scheme

In order to create awareness among the consumers about black-marketing, short weighing, misleading advertisements, it has been proposed to conduct Seminars-cum-Exhibitions. It has also been proposed to celebrate National Consumer Day and World Consumer Rights Day in all regions every year and to conduct Deepavali & Pongal Bazaar in order to arrest the price hike during the festival season.

3. (a) Actual physical Achievement 2004-05

- i. Conduct of National Consumer Day and World Consumer Rights Day in all regions.
- ii. Proposal for conduct of Seminar-cum-Exhibition on PDS.
- iii. Release of Financial assistance to Voluntary Consumer Organizations.
- iv. Release of Financial assistance to Engineering College, Pondicherry for setting up of a Petrol Testing Laboratory.

(b) Anticipated Physical Achievement 2005-06 :

- i. Conduct of National Consumer Day and World Consumer Rights Day in all regions.
- ii. Release of Financial assistance to Voluntary Consumer Organizations.
- iii. Release of assistance to Engineering College, Pondicherry for setting up of a Petrol Testing Laboratory.
- iv. Grant of free LPG Gas connection alongwith a stove and cylinder to the BPL families in a phased manner in the Union Territory of Pondicherry.
- v. Purchase of vehicle for For a.
- vi. Provision for seed money.
- vii. Annual Award to Voluntary Consumer Organizations @ Rs.10,000/-, Rs.7,500/- and Rs.5,000/-.
- viii. Conduct of Council Meeting.

(c) Programme envisaged for Annual Plan 2006-07 :

i. Conduct of National Consumer Day and World Consumer Rights Day in all regions.

- ii. Proposal for conduct of Seminar-cum-Exhibition on PDS.
- iii. Conduct of Onam Chanda in Mahe region.
- iv. Release of Financial assistance to Voluntary Consumer Organizations.
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- viii. Conduct of Council Meeting.

4.	Remarks	:	Continuing Scheme.
			Scheme No. 4
Sector	: CIVIL SUPPLIES		Implementing : CIVIL SUPPLIES & Department CONSUMER AFFAIRS
1.	Name of the Scheme	:	Share Capital Contribution to PAPSCO
2.	Objective of the Scheme	:	Strengthening the infrastructure of PAPSCO.

3.(a) Actual physical Achievement 2004-05 :

- i. Strengthening the infrastructure of PAPSCO.
- ii. To procure controlled commodities and Non-PDS Items such as Sugar, Palmolein, Paddy and payment of interest
- iii. Constructed Cold Storage plant at Pondicherry.
- iv. Installed of Oil Packaging Unit.
- v. Installed of Weighing Bridge.
- vi. Purchased land for installation of Petrol Bunk and Retail outlet for petrol pump and LPG at Pondicherry.

(b) Anticipated Physical Achievement 2005-06 :

- i. Construction of storage plant at Pondicherry.
- ii. Construction of Modern Rice Mill at Pondicherry and cost of land and construction of godown for the development activities of PAPSCO.
- iii. Construction of Office Building.

(c) Programme envisaged for Annual Plan 2006-07 :

i. Construction of storage plant at Pondicherry.

- ii. Construction of Modern Rice Mill at Pondicherry and cost of land and construction of godown, for the development activities of PAPSCO.
- iii. Construction of Office Building.

4.	Remarks	:	Continuing Scheme.
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			Scheme No. 5
Sector	: CIVIL SUPPLIES		Implementing : CIVIL SUPPLIES & Department CONSUMER AFFAIRS
1.	Name of the Scheme	:	Financial Assistance to PAPSCO

2. Objective of the Scheme

The Scheme is to provide financial assistance to promote the business activities in order to maintain the stability of prices of food materials and other essential commodities and to conduct other programmes such as Deepavali Bazaar, Cost Price Shops, etc.

3.(a) Actual physical Achievement 2004-05

- i. Strengthened the infrastructure of PAPSCO.
- ii. Installed Retail Outlets for Vegetables and Groceries.
- iii. Conducted Lean / Sirappu Angadies during Deepavali and Pongal.

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(b) Anticipated Physical Achievement 2005-06 :

- i. Financial Assistance to compensate the loss incurred in running Fair Price Shops.
- ii. Financial Assistance to meet out the recurring expenditure of the Corporation to run profitably.

(c) Programme envisaged for Annual Plan 2006-07 :

- Financial Assistance to compensate the loss incurred in running Fair
 Price Shops.
- ii. Financial Assistance to meet out the recurring expenditure of the Corporation to run profitably.
- **4. Remarks** : Continuing Scheme.

Scheme No. 6

Sector	r : CIVIL SUPPLIES		Implementing : CIVIL SUPPLIES & Department CONSUMER AFFAIRS
1.	Name of the Scheme	:	Release of subsidy to newly wedded couples of BPL family for getting LPG connection

2. Objective of the Scheme

To uplift the BPL families, it is proposed to supply LPG connection with a Stove and one Gas Cylinder to BPL families at free of cost.

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3.(a) Actual physical Achievement 2004-05 : --

(b) Anticipated Physical Achievement 2005-06

Supply of LPG connection with a Stove and One Cylinder to 10,000 BPL families at free of cost.

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(c) Programme envisaged for Annual Plan 2006-07 :

Supply of LPG connection with a Stove and One Cylinder to 10,000 BPL families at free of cost.

4. Remarks : Continuing Scheme.