CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CONUSMER AFFAIRS

Various schemes and programmes are implemented by Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs department for the upliftment of the BPL families. The essential commodities items have been released to the poor people through the Fair Price Shops. Under Public Distribution System Rice, Wheat, sugar, kerosene are regularly distributed to the ration card holders through 498 Fair Price shops every month. Further five groceries items chill, Coriander, Moongi Dhal, Dhoor Dhal and Palmolien are also distributed at subsidized rate to all the BPL card holders every month. Financial Assistance had also been released to M/s. PAPSCO to compensate the loss incurred in running Fair Price Shops. Inspection and raids have been conducted through the Food Cell Police to eliminate the smuggling and illicit movement of essential commodities and to watch the supply of essential commodities like rice, kerosene and PDS items to the eligible families properly. This department has issued LPG connection with stove and one cylinder at free of cost to the eligible BPL families.

ACHIEVEMENTS DURING 2008-09:

- ➤ Under Public Distribution System, the main object is to distribute the essential commodities to the public through Fair Price Shops, during the year 2008-09, subsidy had been released to M/s. PAPSCO for supply of rice to BPL families at subsidized rate of Rs.4/- per kg. For first 20 kgs. Rice and 15 Kgs. @ Rs.6/- per kgs rice.
- Onam chanda had been conducted in Mahe region.
- > Five groceries items had also been issued to all the BPL card holders at subsidized rate.
- > Free sugar had been issued to all the card holders during festival season as a good will gesture.
- > Further rice, sugar and wheat were distributed at subsidized rate to BPL card holders.
- Financial Assistance was released to the Fair Price Shops run by M/s. PAPSCO to compensate the loss during the year 2008-09.
- ➤ 19424 families were issued with Free LPG connection, out of which 12,856 families were covered under SCSP.

- ➤ National Consumer Day and World Consumer Right Day Celebrations were conducted.
- ➤ Finance assistance was granted to Voluntary Consumer Organisations to create consumer awareness among consumers.
- ➤ Bifurcation of existing ration cards and new ration cards was taken up.
- ➤ Deepavali Bazaar and Pongal Chanda were conducted to control the price rise essential commodities during festival seasons.

LIKELY ACHIEVEMENTS DURING 2009-10:

- ➤ Proposed to issue free LPG connection 4766 BPL families. Of which 1203 families will be covered under SCSP and the remaining families will be covered under General BPL families.
- ➤ National Consumer Day and World Consumer Right Day Celebrations will be conducted in order to create awareness about the consumers' problems relating to deficiency in service, unfair trade practice, adulteration, short weighing and misleading Advertisement, etc.
- Financial Assistance will be granted to Voluntary Consumer Organizations to create awareness among consumers through street play, van programme, Demonstration Seminars etc.
- > Proposed to conduct new enumeration for the issue of new ration cards.
- Deepavali Bazaar, Pongal Chanda and Onam Chanda will be conducted.

PROPOSED TARGETS FOR 2010-11:

- ➤ Under the Scheme Public Distribution System scheme Rice, wheat, kerosene, groceries items will be supplied to BPL families at subsidized rate.
- > Bifurcation of Fair Price Shops containing more than 750 ration cards.
- Free sugar will be issued to all the card holders during festival seasons
- Proposed to conduct World Consumer Right Day and National Consumer Day.
- Deepavali and Pongal Bazaar. Onam Chanda will be conducted.
- ➤ Proposed to issue 1750 Free LPG Connection with a stove and one gas cylinder to eligible BPL families.

OUTLAY AT A GLANCE

Sector: CIVIL SUPPLIES No. of Schemes: 7

Department: CIVIL SUPPLIES & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

(Rs. in lakh)

Eleventh Five Year Plan 2007-12 Outlay : 10787.00

Annual Plan 2007-08 Actual Expenditure : 765.75

Annual Plan 2008-09 Actual Expenditure : 1003.59

Annual Plan 2009-10 Approved Outlay : 1166.10

Annual Plan 2009-10 Revised Outlay : 1191.00

Annual Plan 2010-11 Proposed Outlay : 1541.93

(Rs. in lakh)

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Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Eleventh Five Year Plan 2007-12	Annual Plan 2007-08	Annual Plan 2008-09	Annual Plan 2009-10		Annual Plan 2010-11
		Outlay	Actual Expdr.	Actual Expdr.	Approved Outlay	Revised Outlay	Proposed Outlay
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
1.	Expansion of Food Cell	95.47	12.57	20.59	23.25	27.24	25.15
2.	Expansion & Strengthening of Public Distribution System.	9018.45	482.59	374.63	570.27	742.45	1402.52
3.	Consumer Protection & Consumer Education Programme.	102.86	10.77	46.95	23.58	23.73	23.26
4.	Share Capital Contribution to PAPSCO	150.00					
5.	Assistance to PAPSCO	119.27	42.17	25.43	20.00	257.23	35.00
6.	Supply of LPG connection with Stove and Gas Cylinder to BPL family at free of cost	1300.95	217.65	535.99	524.00	135.35	51.00
7.	Consumer Welfare Fund				5.00	5.00	5.00
	Total	10787.00	765.75	1003.59	1166.10	1191.00	1541.93