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Date 26th February, 2015

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To,

Shri Arvind Kejriwal,
Hon'ble Chief Minister,
G O N C T OF DELHI,
New Secretariat, Near I.T.O,
NEW DELHI-110002

SR-29

Subject:- Representation about the grievances of the Fair Price Shopkeepers of entire Delhi - **A serious threat for the survival of the Public Distribution System.**

Respected Sir,

We are extremely grateful for affording us an opportunity for ventilation of our grievances before your good self in person today.

We are enclosing herewith a brief note containing the grievances faced by the entire fraternity of fair price shopkeepers of Delhi for your kind perusal. It is sincerely hoped that you would take a pragmatic view in the matter in order to redress these at an early date in larger public interests and save the public distribution system which is on the verge of collapstation in the Capital of India. Sir, we are prepared to call on you once again at any time & date convenient to your good self through a representative delegation of four-five persons from DSRDS, Delhi to explain further on any aspect requiring clarification.

We look forward for your intervention in a time bound manner & sincerely hope you would certainly not disappoint us, for which we will remain ever grateful.

Yours faithfully,

[SHIV KUMAR GARG]
PRESIDENT, DSRDS, DELHI
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Enclosure

Signature and Date: 26/02/2015

BRIEF NOTE ON GRIEVANCES OF THE FAIR PRICE SHOPKEEPERS OF ENTIRE DELHI

1. All the authorities of GONCT of Delhi & especially HIS EXCELLENCY THE LEIUTINENT GOVERNOR OF DELHI and the Principal Secretary-cum-Commissioner, Food & Supplies, Department of Food & Supplies may not be realizing the gravity of various problems & grievances faced by the entire fraternity of so called FAIR PRICE SHOPKEEPERS[FPSs] brought to their notice since October,2013 onwards in an aggressive manner several times formally in writing apart from by threats of NOTICE FOR NON DEPOSITION OF ADVANCE DRAFTS OF SFAs AND DHARNAS etc , the PDS in the Capital of India is virtually on the verge of collapsation very soon & chaotic conditions will be scene of the day all around. At least then only authorities would wake up, when it will be too late to cover up the damage already occurred.
2. Height of injustice earlier at the hands of the then elected government of the AAM ADMI PARTY or later under the then prevailing Lt. Governor's rule in Delhi by their deaf & dumb attitude or indifferent style to resolve the genuine grievances has already forced the DSRDS to seek various reliefs by knocking the doors of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi at New Delhi, & already the matter for stay of operation of N.F.S.Act,2013 in entire Delhi in pending adjudication as both the GONCT of Delhi as well as MOF.GOI are still to perform the obligatory functions as prescribed in the N.F.S.Act,2013 & is the root cause of litigation now.The next date of hearing is scheduled for 10th April,2015.
3. The most burning and long outstanding only major problem relates to the remuneration payable to the FPSs in the form of commission or margin money on quantities of food grains distributed to the consumers. The ongoing rate is 35 paisa per kg or Rs35/per quintal of stocks distributed by the FPS..This rate was fixed on13th May, 1997.[Refer ANNEXURE-No 1 for details]In the intervening period of seventeen [17] years all attempts by us did not evince a pragmatic or practical view by the authorities of Department of F&S to increase the same, even though the WADHWA COMMISSION,STANDING COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS for Delhi, ARVIND KEJRIWAL [YOURSELF]prior to becoming CM of Delhi last year have recommended reasonable hike in the commission/margin money payable to the FPSs in order to make them a viable unit. Shri Arvind Kejriwal in JULY,2007 through an affidavit before WADHWA COMMISSION had suggested a minimum earning of Rs15,000/- per FPS in Delhi for their sustenance and economic viability & to discourage them from indulging into diversion of subsidized food grains into black markets. No heed was paid by the Department of F& S, GONCT, but continued its impugned & sponsored policies for reasons best known to the Department.
4. This margin money or commission payable to the F.P.Ss was suggested by Shri S.S.Yadav,Commissioner [F&S] in January,2014 to be raised to Rs1/-per kg or [Rs100/-per quintal] and a NOTE for approval by the Cabinet of Delhi Government made out proposing the same w.e.f. 1st January,2014,whereas the N.F.S.Act,2013 was launched in Delhi w.e.f.1st September,2013,why such an arbitrary cut off date was stipulated was itself a reflection of impractical non pragmatic approach of the Department when services of the F.P.Ss were taken from the date N.F.S.Act,2013 was commenced in Delhi?
5. DSRDS, Delhi had vehement ally objected to the proposed revised rate proposed as well as the cut off date before Shri S.S.Yadav, Commissioner[F&S] and we had exhibited our en

mass resistance outside the Secretariat in front of your office last year. We had explained in details our predicament to Shri Saurabh Bharadwaj, the then Minister Food & Supplies who had assured us for justice to us but all in vain.

6. As we had a detailed meeting with the senior officers of the Department on 24th September, 2014 fixed by Shri S.S. Yadav and we had expressed our greatest frustration to continue operations of the entire F.P.Ss in entire Delhi by threat of "SHUTTERS DOWN" the Department realizing the gravity of the issue took up the matter before HIS EXCELLENCY THE LEIUTINENT GOVERNOR OF DELHI and obtained approval for enhancing the commission/margin money to Paise 70 per kg/Rs70/- per quintal and notified about it on 17th November, 2014 by issuing an ORDER, surprisingly making its applicability w.e.f. 1st September, 2014. [Refer ANNEXURE-II]. Shri Tyagi U.K, Special Commissioner of the Department even advised us to file objections so that the Department can once again review this decision.
7. With the launching of the NFS Scheme under the NFS Act, 2013 in a great hurry-burry the role of the FPSs, who are an integral part of the PDS in Delhi, has further been ruined and made them paupers because of "administered pricing policy" of PURCHASE PRICE EQUALS TO SALE PRICE and huge amount of publicity in Delhi by GONCT viz, Rs 2/- per kg of wheat and Rs3/- per kg of rice at which FPSs will buy & sell. Irony of the matter is under the NFS Act, 2013 there is no mention about the rate of reward or commission or margin money payable to the FPSs. This is to be fixed by the GONCT. But upon norms and manner to be advised by the G.O.I.
8. Section 22(4)(d) of the NFS Act, 2013 under CHAPTER VIII on OBLIGATIONS OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT FOR FOOD SECURITY inter-alia prescribed :-
 QUOTE "Without prejudice to sub-section (1), the Central Government shall.-----
 (d) provide assistance to the State Government in meeting the expenditure incurred by it towards intra-State movement ,handling of food grains and margin money paid to the fair price shop dealers, in accordance with such norms and manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government; and"
 UNQUOTE

Refer ANNEXURE-No III for details.

The Central Government has yet to advise the GONCT of Delhi about the norms and manner about the margins payable to the FPSs in Delhi.

This being the legal & official position, it is beyond comprehension of DSRDS how the Special Commissioner, Shri U.K. Tyagi, Department of F&S, informed us in a pre-scheduled meeting with the Commissioner [F&S] on 24th September, 2014 that the Department has now obtained the approval for increasing the rate of margin money to Re0.70 paise per kg and a NOTIFICATION about it will soon be released. Shri S.S. Yadav, IAS, Commissioner [F&S], however, did not attend the said meeting fixed by him only with the representatives of the DSRDS after almost one month's wait.

The aforementioned unilateral decision of increasing the margin money to Re0.70 paise per kg [Rs70/- p.q] by the Department of F&S, GONCT is absolutely NOT repeat NOT acceptable to the FPSs of entire Delhi. This decision when conveyed by us to all the FPSs Delhi, they unanimously wanted a GENERAL BODY ASSEMBLY/MEET ,which was organized under the banner of DSRDS on 30th September, 2014 at A-I, Community Hall, also known as Sahib Singh Verma Community Hall, Keshav Puram, Delhi-110035.

All the members present had decided to tender en-mass resignations of their licenses to the Lt. Governor, Delhi, and make the PDS suffer in Delhi even though it would have made the poor consumers/ration card-holders also suffer. This move was, however, prevented with the timely advice & intervention of worthy Shmt. Shiela Dikshit, Former Chief Minister of Delhi and Former Governor of Kerala State.

9. The basic reasons for non acceptability of the ex-parte decision under processing for increasing the margin money to Re0.70 paise per kg [Rs70/- per quintal] is that it will not at all help even in meeting the running/operating expenses of the FPS, what to talk about survival of dependent families of the FPS owners. They have been serving the PDS in Delhi for the last more than four decades. At this stage majority of them are aged persons, who cannot even get any alternative jobs or venues of earnings to survive. Complete details of our shop expenses have been repeatedly explained to the worthy Commissioner [F&S] . In a detailed & exhaustive representation in October,2013 and again in January,2014 submitted to the Commissioner [F&S] & all others concerned minute details of expenses incurable by a FPS have been given, based upon which the DSRDS requested for increasing the rate of margin money to Rs2.80 per kg,[Rs280/- per quintal] which alone will help a FPS get a net earning of about Rs18,000 to Rs20,000/-p.m. after meeting the shop expenses or they will get almost a return equal to a class IV government employee's salary. Whereas government provides the entire basic infrastructure with working environment in offices to all the class IV employees with various facilities and perquisites like medical, L.T.C, regular increases in D.A, timely promotions, yearly increments above all pension after retirement. But in the case of F.P.Ss the entire infrastructure has to be provided by themselves from their own pockets. Sir, do we not deserve treatment and reward of at least a L.D.C? Now 7th PAY COMMISSION will dole out to these lucky citizens & we will only keep on biting our tounge with jealousy.

Shri S.S.Yadav, C[F&S] heard the gathering at his Hqrs and gave us a NOTE proposing Re 1.00 per kg [Rs100/- per quintal] payable w.e.f 1st January,2014 even though NFS Act,2013 was launched in Delhi w.e.f. 1st September,2014 and again in July,2014 handed over to us yet another proposal of the Department for increasing it to same Re1.00 per kg now w.e.f 1st September,2014.It is not understood whose brain child it is to now lower it to Re0.70 paise per kg as mentioned in para 5 aforesaid, which is also grossly unjustified obviously when reckoned w.r.t. our justified demand of Rs2.80 per kg. The proposed hike implies just 25% of our demand.

We are again giving below details of expenses incurred/to be incurred by a FPS in Delhi for ready reference & perusal as follows:-

A	RENT OF THE SHOP [AVERAGE] The GONCT has recently hiked the circle rates of different localities in Delhi by 20%. [Let the rental value be assessed & fixed/adopted accordingly, the only difference may be that it may be Rs10,000/- in Burari or Nand Nagri area as against Rs25,000/- in G.K or South Extension.---]	15,000/-
B	ELECTRICITY CHARGES OF THE SHOP----- At each FPS power is consumed for electronic weighing scale,	2,000/-

	exhaust fan, normal fan, tube light plus one bulb inside & one outside & now onwards it may be for the Sales Device/Machine as well--	
C	LABOUR CHARGES OF AN UNSKILLED LABOUR AT SHOP FOR FILLING/WEIGHING ETC-----[As per the latest minimum wages revised & fixed in Delhi w.e.f. 01 st April,2014 by the Labour Department of GONCT for an unskilled labour . [Refer ANNEXURE-No IV for details]	8,554/-
D	STATIONARY CHARGES----- Each shop has to arrange stationary as per norms of the Department for cash memos/sales registers[category-wise]/ration cards register/stocks register/carbons etc	1,000/-
E	BANK DRAFT CHARGES FOR COST OF SFAs	200/-
F	LOSS OF INTEREST ON CAPITAL BLOCKED	500/-
G	METROLOGY EXPENSES ON STAMPING OF WEIGHT/SHORTAGES/DAMAGES/WEIGHMENT CHARGES AT THE TIME OF RECEIPTS OF SFAs etc	150/-
H	EXPENSES ON MAINTENANCE OF BOOKS OF ACCOUNTS/FILING OF INCOME TAX RETURNS etc.	1,000/-
I	VARNER CHARGES/BAKSHISH UNOFFICIALLY DEMANDED/CHARGED BY LABOURERS OF TRANSPORT CONTRACTORS OF DSCSC LTD AT THE TIME OF UNLOADING SFAs IN THE PREMISES OF FPSs@ Rs10/- per quintal	1,000/-
J	HIDDEN CHARGES UNIVERSALLY KNOWN TO DEPARTMENT AT THE TIME OF RENEWAL OF AUTHORISATION etc.	1,000/-
K	UNFORESEEN MISLANEOUS EXPENSES/PETROL/CONVEYANCE/MOBILE PHONE CHARGES,etc	3,000/-

TOTAL EXPENSES APPROXIMATELY [A TO K]

Rs 33,404/- p.m.

Approximately Rs33,000/- to Rs 35,000/- p.m. is spent by each F.P.S. These may vary from shop to shop but these are in any case not less than Rs34,000/ p.m. for any shop.

10. As per proposal of the Department in January, 2014[Refer ANNEXURE-No V for details] when it recommended increase in margin money to Re1.00 per kg [or Rs100/- p. q.] it considered that given a standard of 1000 ration cards attached with each shop having a family size of 4.5 and @5 kg per kg p.m. the average allocation of food grains will be 225 Quintals p.m. With these calculations, the margin money payable to the FPSs will be Rs22,500/- p.m. out of which they may have to spend on rent of the shop, electricity charges, wages, labour charges, stationary etc. thereby ensuring at least Rs10,000/- p.m. ,which are marginally higher than daily wages of a skilled labour. Anyone will appreciate how impractical or non pragmatic approach was followed even when it considered increase in margin money to Re1.00 per kg [Rs100/- p.q.] in January,

2014 or again in July, 2014 with the objective that each FPS owner should earn at least a monthly income of Rs10,000/- after meeting its expenses in running the shop. As per this proposal also the FPS owner is to pay his labourer's wages of Rs8554/- who weighs the grain at the time of sale/issues etc but FPS owner should be satisfied & contend with just Rs10,000/- for him & his family. Does it sound a logical proposition from any angle? While the Department accepts & agrees there are unavoidable expenses in running a shop, but forgets to adopt it at the level as per prevailing market conditions or trends. Why? Interestingly net earning of Rs10,000/-p.m. is reckoned by the Department w.r.t. a standard of 1,000 ration cards tagged with each FPS which is far from ground reality. The skewed character of number of ration cards tagged with F.P.Ss all over Delhi is well known to the Department & is as shown below as per their own records but the Department keeps its eyes closed deliberately while examining proposals of such vital interests for reasons best known to it.

FPSs Allocation between 0-50Qtls	FPSs Allocation between 50-100Qtls	FPSs Allocation between 100-200Qtls	FPSs Allocation between 200-300Qtls	FPSs Allocation above 300Qtls	Total No of FPSs in Delhi
365	763	1011	219	33	2391
15.27%	31.91%	42.28%	9.16%	1.38%	100%
Rs3,500/-*	Rs7,000/-*	Rs14,000/-*	Rs21,000/-*	Rs28,000/-*	Monthly income excluding all expenses of the F.P.S.

NOTE:- 1]*Maximum income of a FPS, net of expenses on margin money @ Rs70/-Per Quintal/Per Month

2] Above details relate official records for the month of December, 2014, taken from the website of the Department.

3] Zone-wise No of FPSs showing allocations of SFAs in quintals, for the month of December, 2014 [Refer ANNEXURE-No VI for details]

It will be abundantly clear from the above Table that 90% [2139 of the total 2391] of the F.P.Ss have less than 300 Quintals of monthly allocations of SFAs and have to survive with just Rs21,000 /- or less of earnings per month. Is it possible in a city like Delhi/New Delhi the Capital of India? Does it not mean and show malafide intentions on the part of the GONCT of Delhi and the Department of F&S in forcing helpless F.P.Ss to work as a bonded labour?

You will kindly appreciate that such impugned sponsored policy full of pitfalls adopted by the Department over the years is only responsible for a few FPSs indulging into unfair practices of diversion, under compulsive conditions. As a result majority of other innocent FPS owner are made to suffer the threats of raids or surprise inspections etc as a part of exercise by the Department to create fear psycho amongst all the shopkeepers. This is nothing but "official terrorism" created by the GONCT through its most important Department looking after the food for the poor involving direct public interest. The so called surprise checks or raids on the shops are also used as a tool to exploit the innocent shopkeepers, which is a universal truth.

11. Now the GONCT has raised the margin money to Re0.70 per kg [Rs70/- p. q.] & being accepted by the Department of F&S, it would simply imply that 47.18% of the FPS owners should satisfy themselves with just Rs7,000/- p.m. or less net earning / income, instead of Rs10,000/- p.m. department itself wanted and proposed in January, 2014. What a great rationale in shift of its own stand?
12. In view of the factual position indicated above, ever since 1st September, 2013 when the N. F. S. Act, 2013 was launched in Delhi or even before, all the FPS owners have completely depleted their capital base by spending from their own sources gradually in meeting the deficit every month in their earning vis-à-vis excessive expenses in running of their shops. [There has been total erosion of their capital base]. Financial plight of every FPS can also be understood from the fact that even the margin money @ 0.35 per kg [Rs35/-p. q.] was also never paid in time by the Department of F&S. The earlier dues of over four-five years towards margin money from September, 2009 to August, 2013 legally payable to the FPSs, were paid only during 2013-14 last year that too after the intervention & directions of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi at New Delhi. Even in respect of last ten months, April, 2014 to January, 2015, the margin money even @ Re0.70 paise per kg is yet to be paid by the Department. This shows clearly how much serious or callous is the Department of F&S, Delhi towards genuine necessities of the F.P.Ss? If some F.P.Ss indulge into diversionary activities, who is responsible for forcing them to do so? Is it not the Government? It is obviously the Government.
13. REDUCTION IN NUMBER OF RATION CARDS TAGGED WITH EVERY FPS :-The Department of F&S has the obligation to identify the beneficiaries namely "priority households" as per the guidelines it may devise. Sh. S.S.Yadav, IAS, Commissioner (F&S) has been adamant for issuing ration cards only to those who have the AADHAR CARDS. As such it is made mandatory by the Department of F&S. This is despite the fact there are clear directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 24th March, 2014 as well as directions of the Division Bench of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi at New Delhi dated 4th April, 2014 to the contrary. This is resulting into lesser number of ration cards tagged with the F.P.Ss because all those poor, aged, illiterate, jhuggi-dwellers or daily wage earners have not been able to yet register for AADHAR CARDS. Although this is a matter of contempt of court but adamancy of the Department for insisting AADHAR CARDS [Even sometimes demanding Registration Nos under N.P.R. [National Population Register] has resulted into elimination of a large number of ration cards or beneficiaries from the lists of eligible consumers & Shri S.S.Yadav, Commissioner [F&S] has been claiming huge savings caused to the government as though earlier those were bogus ration cards. He forgets the so called bogus ration cards were the creation of the functionaries of the Department only, but no action at all is taken by the Commissioner [F&S] against them, WHY? Though it is the prerogative of the Department to identify the eligible beneficiaries amongst the poor in whatever manner it feels necessary and we do not wish to interfere in this matter yet it has to abide by the judicial directions of the Supreme Court of India as well as the Division Bench of the High Court of Delhi at New Delhi. But it does not bother because of thick skinned officers manning the department. The net effect of all this pervert actions is lesser allocation of monthly quantities of SFAs with each F.P.S. making their earnings adversely affected on the one hand & on the other hand poor people eligible to subsidized food grains also deprived the benefit under the noble scheme passed by the Parliament.

14. **REDUCED MONTHLY ALLOCATIONS FOR EVERY FPS :-**Under the provisions of the N.F.S.Act,2013 monthly allocations have been reduced because of the entitlement of each consumer is allowed on per person basis [4kg wheat and 1kg rice] as against entitlement on per card basis[25kgs wheat and 10kgs rice] which was adopted previously I . e, prior to introduction of N.F.S.Act,2013. This has also lead to reduced monthly allocations of all the FPSs & consequently net income for each & every F.P.S has also gone down. In reality both the consumers as well as shopkeepers are made to suffer.
15. By not correcting the prevalent shortcomings in the ongoing PDS system, in fact there is a total failure on all the fronts as a result some unscrupulous officers/staff of the Department are able to exploit the situation. Can Shri S.S.Yadav. IAS , Commissioner [F&S] give justification about the indulgence of three-four Assistant Commissioners who were caught red handed last year by the C.B.I/Anti Corruption Branch and jailed for corrupt activities? Hence now "KARO YA MARO" slogan is soon going to damage the decades -age old PDS in the Capital of India. The "SHUTTERS DOWN" scenes with suicides like poor farmers in Vidarbha Region of Maharashtra etc witnessed by the country and "MASS RESIGNATIONS" are not ruled out-----therefore DSRDS humbly PRAYS
- for timely intervention in order to resolve the burning issue of revision of margin money/commission payable to the F.P.Ss in Delhi in public interest so that we are able to lead life of an honest citizen. We want honest income and do not wish our generations to become criminals.
- Please save our souls, on S.O.S basis.

GOVT. OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER FOOD SUPPLIES & CONSUMER AFFAIRS
'K' BLOCK, VIKAS BHAWAN, NEW DELHI-110 002.
(DISTRIBUTION BRANCH 'M' BLOCK)

NO. 75(1)/91/CFS(D)/ 9931

Dated: **MAY 13, 1997**

INSTRUCTION NO.: 18

Govt. of India has increased the central issue price of wheat and rice w.e.f. 1.6.97 and have further authorised the State Govt. to fix the price at FPS level. In view of this, Govt. of NCT of Delhi has after considering the requests from the Delhi State Civil Supplies Corporation and the Fair Price Shop Associations, revised the transportation charges and handling charges payable to D.S.C.S.C. and the margin of profit of the Fair Price Shop holders.

The revised prices of wheat and rice effective from 1.6.97 are as under:-

	Central Issue Price for FPS holders	Retail price for Card Holders.
Wheat	Rs. 450/- per quintal	Rs. 5.00 per kg.
Superfine Rice	Rs. 750/- per quintal	Rs. 8.00 per kg.

3. The transportation charges and handling charges payable to D.S.C.S.C. and margin of profit of the FPS holders have been uniformly fixed for wheat and rice as under:-

Handling & transportation	Rs. 15.00 per quintal
Margin of profit of Fair Price Shop holders	Rs. 35.00 per quintal

Higher increase in the margin of profit for wheat will automatically take care of the lower margin of profit for rice.

4. The drafts for wheat and rice for the 1st fortnight of June 97 and onwards will be prepared at the above central issue prices.

5. Unlifted stock of wheat and rice from the godowns of FCI as on 1.06.97 will be released by the FCI after taking additional drafts for the difference in the price which are Rs.48/- per quintal in respect of wheat and Rs. 102/- in respect of superfine rice.

6. If excess quantity of wheat is received in June against the May quota it will be adjusted in the month of June by reducing the equivalent quantity of wheat by the circle office at the time of next allocation.

7. Similarly the difference in the old and revised prices of wheat and rice at the above rates, on the stocks lying with the FPS as opening balance on 1.06.97 is to be paid to FCI.

8. Circle FSOs, through the Area Inspectors will note down these figures on 31.5.97 evening and obtain a declaration from each FPS in annexure-I (Enclosed). He will ensure that the FPS holders deposit the draft for the requisite amount with the Circle Office upto 6.6.97.

9. Entitlement for issue to the card holders has been further revised as under in view of the substantial reduction in allocation of wheat & rice by the Govt. of India recently w.e.f. 1.6.97:-

WHEAT CATEGORY

Wheat	JRC/Resettlement Colonies cards	10 kgs. per adult per month.
	PRC & TRC & other cards	05 kgs. per adult per month.
Rice		2 kgs. per adult per month.

RICE CATEGORY

Wheat		2 Kg. per adult per month.
Rice	JRC & Resettlement Colonies cards.	10 kg. per adult per month.
	PRC, TRC other Cards	05 Kg. per adult per month.

All Circle FSOs are directed to ensure that these instructions are noted by the Area Inspectors in the inspection books of all the FPSs, and copies of these orders are served on the FPS for strict compliance.

All Circle FSOs and Area Inspectors will also ensure that revised rates and scale of issue of wheat & rice to card holders is displayed on the display board at the Fair Price Shops.

13/5/97
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER (DISTRIBUTION)

All Circle FSOs
No. 1 to 70 (2 copies each)

No. F.5(1)/91,CFS(D)/9931

Dated: May 13, 1997

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

- 1) Secretary (Food), Govt. of India, Ministry of Food, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 2) Secretary (Civil Supplies), Govt. of India, Ministry of Civil Supplies & Public Distribution, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 3) All DCs/ACs, F&S Deptt., Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi.
- 4) P.S. to M.F.S.
- 5) Sr. R.M., FCI, Prabhat Kiran Bldg., Rajendra Place.
- 6) All Depot Incharge of FCI Godowns, Naraina, Narela, Ghevra C.T.O., Okla and R.P. Bagh.
- 7) All Depot Incharge of D.S.C.S.C. at above godowns.
- 8) Sr. G.O. DSCSC, Aapurti Bhawan, Aram Bagh, New Delhi.
- 9) Manager, CCWS, Moti Nagar.
- 10) Purchase & Sales Executive, Kendriya Bhandar, Pushpa Bhawan E Wing, Madangh Road, New Delhi.
- 11) P.S. to CFS.
- 12) All Branches at the Headquarters.
- 13) All FPS Associations.
- 14) All FPS holders (through Circle FSOs)

13/5/97
DY. COMMISSIONER (DISTRIBUTION)

ANNEXURE
No. 51

GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD, SUPPLIES & CONSUMER AFFAIRS
K-BLOCK, VIKAS BHAWAN, I.P. ESTATE, NEW DELHI-110062
(DISTRIBUTION BRANCH)

No.F.15(11)/CFS(D)/2003

Dated: 12-11-14

ORDER

The Lt. Governor, Delhi is pleased to revise the margin money of Fair Price Shop Dealers on the Specified Food Articles (SFAs) i.e. wheat and rice from the existing Rs.35/- per quintal to Rs.70/- per quintal.

The Government of India has enacted the National Food Security Act, 2013. The same has been implemented in the NCT of Delhi. Under the provisions of NFSA, 2013 there are two categories of ration card holders, i.e. AAY Households and Priority Households. They are getting SFAs at highly subsidized rates i.e. wheat @ Rs.2/- per kg and rice @ Rs.3/- per kg. The expenditure incurred on the payment of margin money for the SFAs issued to AAY and Priority Households (which includes the old BPL, BPL and FPC ration card holders) will be borne by the Food Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department, Government of Delhi under MHA (MS-4) (2013) in "Sustainability of Public Distribution System with focus upon below poverty line. The revised rate of margin money payable to the FPS Dealer for these categories of households in NCT will be effective from 1st September, 2014.

Consequent upon revision of margin money, the retail price of Above Poverty Line (Stamped) (APL-S) category for wheat are revised from the existing Rs.7.05 per kg. to Rs.7.40 per kg. and for rice from the existing Rs.9.25 per kg. to Rs.9.60 per kg. to the consumers. The revised rates for this category will be effective from 01-12-14.

The issues with the concurrence of Finance (Expenditure-II) Department, Government of NCT of Delhi vide their O.D No.00231477 dated 13.11.2014.

This is done with the prior approval of Secretary-cum Commissioner, F&S.

(Signature)
12/11/14
AJAY KUMAR GUPTA
ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER, F&S

No.F.15(11)/CFS(D)/2003/ 17.2.4-47

Dated: 17.2.10

Copy forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

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2. Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Department of Consumer Affairs, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Secretary to Lt.Governor of Delhi, Raj Niwas, Delhi.
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13. President, Delhi Sarkari Ration Dealers Sangh, Shop No.2-3, C-4, B/D, Market, 1st Floor, Lawrence Road, Keshavpuram, Delhi-110035.
14. President, Fair Price Shopkeepers and Consumers Association, 9/14, Dr. Ambedkar Basti, Gali No.5, Maujpur, Delhi-110053.
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(UDAI VIR SINGH)
ASST. COMMISSIONER (DISTRIBUTION)

CHAPTER VIII
OBLIGATIONS OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT
FOR FOOD SECURITY

22. Central Government to allocate required quantity of foodgrains from Central pool to State Governments.—(1) The Central Government shall, for ensuring the regular supply of foodgrains to persons belonging to eligible households, allocate from the Central pool the required quantity of foodgrains to the State Governments under the Targeted Public Distribution System, as per the entitlements under section 3 and at prices specified in Schedule I.

(2) The Central Government shall allocate foodgrains in accordance with the number of persons belonging to the eligible households identified in each State under section 10.

(3) The Central Government shall provide foodgrains in respect of entitlements under sections 4, 5 and section 6, to the State Governments, at prices specified to the persons belonging to eligible households in Schedule I.

(4) Without prejudice to sub-section (1), the Central Government shall:

- (a) procure foodgrains for the Central pool through its own agencies or the State Governments and their agencies;
- (b) allocate foodgrains to the States;
- (c) provide for transportation of foodgrains, as per allocation, to the depots designated by the Central Government in each State;
- (d) provide assistance to the State Government in meeting the expenditure incurred by it towards intra-State movement, handling of foodgrains and margins paid to fair price shop dealers, in accordance with such norms and manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government; and
- (e) create and maintain required modern and scientific storage facilities at various levels.

23. Provisions for funds by Central Government to State Government in certain cases.—In case of short supply of foodgrains from the Central pool to a State, the Central Government shall provide funds to the extent of short supply to the State Government for meeting obligations under Chapter II in such manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

CHAPTER IX
OBLIGATIONS OF STATE GOVERNMENT FOR FOOD SECURITY

24. Implementation and monitoring of schemes for ensuring food security.—(1) The State Government shall be responsible for implementation and monitoring of the schemes of various Ministries and Departments of the Central Government in accordance with guidelines issued by the Central Government to their States and their own schemes, for ensuring food security to the targeted population of their State.

(2) Under the Targeted Public Distribution System, it shall be the duty of the State Government to—

Please refer to the notes from 91/N to 94/N. The proposal of the department to increase the margin money of FPS dealers from the existing Rs. 35/- per quintal to Rs. 100/- per quintal was examined in detail by the Finance Department. The Finance Department in its note in para 301 at page 93/N has observed that the proposal of the department appears justified. However, the Finance Department observed that as per Section 22(4)(d) of NFSA, 2013, the Central Government has to provide financial assistance to the State Government for intra-State movement of Specified Food Articles (SFAs) and for payment of margin money to FPS dealers. Therefore, Finance Department suggested that the department should pursue with the Central Government in the matter.

The matter was taken up repeatedly with the Central Government (page 468/C-467/C). In response to our communications, Sh. Deepak Kumar, Joint Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution, Government of India vide his letter dated March 13, 2014 (page 470/C-469/C) has replied that under NFSA also, it is the responsibility of the State Government to take delivery of allocated foodgrains from designated FCI depots, organize intra-State allocations for delivery of foodgrains at the door-step of each FPS and ensure supply of foodgrains to entitled persons. He has further said that the provision under Section 22(4)(d) of the Act regarding assistance to State Governments for meeting the expenditure on intra-State movement and handling of foodgrains and FPS dealers' margin, as per norms and manner to be decided by the Central Government, is only meant to provide support in meeting the expenditure on above items. This does not imply that State Governments which have started implementation of the Act should postpone the expenditure on above items till the norms are decided by the Central Government, and thereby hamper smooth functioning of TPDS and implementation of the Act. He has also observed that the Government of NCT of Delhi was accordingly advised vide our letter dated 12th February, 2014 that pending finalization of norms by the Central Government, the expenditure should be borne by the State Government.

In para 8 of his letter Sh. Deepak Kumar, Joint Secretary has said that "it is once again clarified that primarily, it is the responsibility of GNCT of Delhi to make payment of margin money to FPS dealers either at the existing rate fixed by it or some other rate considered reasonable. The role of the Central Government is limited to provide assistance to GNCT of Delhi in meeting such expenditure as per norms and manner to be decided under Section 22(4)(d) of the Act. It is, therefore, reiterated that till the norms for assistance to State Governments for meeting the expenditure on FPS dealers' margin are decided, the expenditure should be met by the State Government out of its own resources".

As stated above, under NFSA, it is the responsibility of the State Government to ensure supply of foodgrains to entitled persons. The matter was also discussed with him at length in a meeting held on 21.03.2014 at 03.00 pm at Krishi Bhawan. During discussions, he told that the Central Government will have no role in fixing the margin money. A call on the same is to be taken by the State Government. The Central Government will share the cost partially. In the Writ Petition (C) titled Delhi Sarkari Ration Dealer Sangh and Another Vs Union of India and Government of NCT of Delhi filed in the Delhi High Court, the Central Government has submitted that they would take about six months to frame the rules for providing financial assistance to the State Governments under Section 22(4)(d) of the Act.

ceded out 1.62 lakhs ration cards saving 6379.9 MT of foodgrains per month. Moreover, from July 2014, the department has partially stopped disbursement of ration to 8.89 lakh APL(Stamped) ration card holders who have not come forward to avail benefits of food security. Further scrutiny of these ration cards is going on and a large number of these are likely to be bogus and will be eliminated. The department has also conducted raids on the FPS as well as it has discretely followed the trucks carrying PDS to detect diversion of foodgrains by the transporters. In the last 4 months itself, the department has registered 38 FIRs.

The department is also intending to take help of information technology to prevent diversion. This includes putting in place GPS-RFID based vehicle tracking system to track the vehicles deployed for transporting foodgrains from FCI godowns to FPS. For this, tender has already been floated and the system is likely to be in place in next three months. Another intervention proposed by the department is installation of Point of Sale(PoS) device in all the FPS which will be connected directly through the internet to the main server and ration will be disbursed after biometric identification of the beneficiary. For this project also, bid document has been prepared and has been cleared by the Department of Information Technology and is being submitted to the Finance Department for approval. These steps will effectively curb the diversion of foodgrains.

Due to the steps taken by the department to curb diversion of foodgrains and also due to low margin money, a number of FPS licensees have started tendering their resignation. At the margin of just Rs. 35 per quintal, running an FPS is not viable. It is likely that more shopkeepers will tender their resignation in future if the margin money is not enhanced. Besides this, the shopkeepers are continuously protesting against the low margin money and they have even threatened not to deposit the bank drafts to lift the SFAs. If an appropriate decision is not taken on increasing the margin money, the PDS supply may be interrupted very soon and the system may collapse. As the food security is now a legal right, any interruption in the supply may lead to legal complications and also financial liability on the part of the government.

As far as Government of India concerned, it has made clear during the discussions with the Joint Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution that fixing the FPS margin is the sole prerogative of State Governments and the Government of India will not prescribe any margin money. As far as justification for enhancing margin money to Rs. 100 per quintal is concerned, there is a detailed justification from the perspective of making an FPS viable. Any comparison with other States/Cities may not be helpful in this matter because the FPS are being run for earning livelihood and viability of the business should be the sole criteria.

It is, therefore, requested that the matter may kindly be re-examined in the light of the aforesaid submissions and the proposal of the department to increase the margin money of FPS dealers from the existing Rs. 35/- per quintal to Rs. 100/- per quintal ~~may kindly be~~ concurred to.

(S. S. Yadav)
Secretary-cum-Commissioner
01.07.2014



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Current Minimum Wage

The Following rates are applicable in respect of Unskilled, semiskilled and skilled categories in all schedules employments except employment in "Shop And Establishment and employment in 'Clubs'

Category	Rates as on 01.04.2014 (Rupees)	Dearness Allowances (pm) w.e.f 01.10.2014 (Rupees)	Rates from (Rupees) 01.10.2014	
			Per-Month	Per-Day
Un-skilled	8554.00	78.00	8632.00	332.00
Semi skilled	9438.00	104.00	9542.00	367.00
Skilled	10374.00	104.00	10478.00	403.00

The following rates are applicable in respect of Unskilled, semiskilled and skilled categories in (i)Employment in Shops And Establishments (ii)Employment in Clubs, which are as follows.

Category	Rates as on 01.04.2014 (Rupees)	Dearness Allowances (pm) w.e.f 1.10.2014 (Rupees)	Rates from (Rupees) 01.10.2014	
			Per-Month	Per-Day
Un-skilled	(i)8554.00	78.00	(i)8632.00	(i)332.00
	(ii)8398.00		(ii)8476.00	(ii)326.00
	(iii)7696.00		(iii)7774.00	(iii)299.00
	(iv)7592.00		(iv)7670.00	(iv)295.00
Semi skilled	(i)9438.00	104.00	(i)9542.00	(i)367.00
	(ii)9282.00		(ii)9386.00	(ii)361.00
	(iii)8476.00		(iii)8580.00	(iii)330.00
	(iv)8372.00		(iv)8476.00	(iv)326.00
Skilled	(i)10374.00	104.00	(i)10478.00	403.00
	(ii)10192.00		(ii)10296.00	396.00
	(iii)9334.00		(iii)9438.00	363.00
	(iv)9204.00		(iv)9308.00	358.00

(i)Where neither meals nor lodging is provided (ii) where only lodging is provided (iii)Where only meals twice a day is provided (iv)where both meals and lodging are provided.

The Following rates are applicable in respect of Clerical and Non Technical Supervisory Staff in all Scheduled Employments

Category	Rates as on 01.04.2014 (Rupees)	Dearness Allowances w.e.f 01.10.2014 (Rupees)	Rates from (Rupees) 01.10.2014	
Non Matriculates	9438.00	104.00	9542.00	367.00
Matriculates but not graduates	10374.00	104.00	10478.00	403.00
Gradutes and above	11310.00	104.00	11414.00	439.00

*(All Rates are in rupees)

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DELHI SARKARI RASHAN DEALERS SANGH-DELHI
DETAIL OF ZONE WISE FPS (FAIR PRICE SHOP) ALLOCATION OF WHEAT AND RICE
FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER -2014

S.NO.	ZONE NAME	FPS HAVING ALLOCATION BETWEEN 0-50 QUANTAL	FPS HAVING ALLOCATION BETWEEN 50-100 QUANTAL	FPS HAVING ALLOCATION BETWEEN 100-200 QUANTAL	FPS HAVING ALLOCATION BETWEEN 200-300 QUANTAL	FPS HAVING ALLOCATION ABOVE 300 QUANTAL	TOTAL FPS IN ZONE	REMARKS
1	CENTRAL	25	62	74	19	1	181	
2	EAST	43	85	110	20	1	259	
3	NEW DELHI	51	51	41	7	0	150	
4	WEST	50	77	135	32	1	295	
5	NORTH EAST	55	138	138	21	4	356	
6	NORTH WEST	32	40	157	64	13	306	
7	NORTH	29	64	93	25	7	218	
8	SOUTH	52	120	123	6	0	301	
9	SOUTH WEST	28	126	140	25	6	325	
	TOTAL	365	763	1011	219	33	2391	
A	PERCENTAGE (%) OF ALLOCATION FOR FPS'S	15.27%	31.91%	42.28%	9.16%	1.38%	100%	
B	MAXIMUM INCOME OF FAIR PRICE SHOP @70 P.QTL.	Rs.3500/-	Rs.7000/-	Rs.14000/-	Rs.21000/-	Rs.28000/-		MONTHLY INCOME EXCLUDING ALL EXPENSES OF FPS

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ANNEXURE No 11