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ITEM No. 1. FUNCTIONING OF CONSUMER FORA

- a) Disposal of Consumer Complaints
- b) Vacancy of President and Members in State Commission and District Fora
- c) Selection Procedure and pay structure for Members
- d) Implementation of Confonet Project
- a) **Disposal of Consumer Complaints**

As per provisions of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986, every complaint shall be heard as expeditiously as possible and endeavour shall be made to decide the complaint within a period of three months from the date of receipt of notice by opposite party where the complaint does not require analysis or testing of commodities and within five months if it requires analysis or testing of commodities:

Provided that no adjournment shall be ordinarily granted by the District Forum unless sufficient cause is shown and the reasons for grant of adjournment have been recorded in writing by the Forum:

Provided further that the District Forum shall make such orders as to the costs occasioned by the adjournment as may be provided in the regulations made under this Act.

Provided also that in the event of a complaint being disposed of after the period so specified, the District Forum shall record in writing, the reasons for the same at the time of disposing of the said complaint.

However, it is practically seen that disposal of consumer complaints take more time. There is a need for making efforts to expedite disposal of the complaints.

The pendency position as on 31.12.2015 in the Southern/ as States informed by NCDRC is as under:

Sl. No.	Name of State	Cases filed since inception	Cases disposed of since inception	Cases Pending	% of Disposal	As On
	National Commission	98952	88893	10059	89.83	31.12.2015
1	Andhra Pradesh	31870	31240	630	98.02	30.11.2015
2	Karnataka	50203	44588	5615	88.82	30.11.2015
3	Kerala	28405	26240	2165	92.38	30.11.2015
4	Lakshadweep	18	16	2	88.89	31.08.2015
5	Puducherry	1032	982	50	95.16	30.11.2015
6	Tamil Nadu	26763	24326	2437	90.89	31.10.2015
7	Telangana	1544	16	1528	1.04	30.11.2015
	TOTAL	238787	216301	22486	90.58	

Efforts need to be made to reduce the position of pendency.

b) **Vacancy of President and Members in State Commission and District Fora**

Section 12A of the Consumer Protection Rules 1987 provides that the process of appointment of a member shall be initiated at least three months before the vacancy arises. If a post falls vacant due to resignation or death of a member or creation of a new post, the process for filling the post shall be initiated immediately after the post has fallen vacant or its creation, as the case may be.

The vacancy position in consumer fora in the southern states is as under:

Sr No	State/UT	No of Consumer Fora		State Commission vacancy		District Fora vacancy	
		State Commission	DF	President	Member	President	Members
1	Andhra Pradesh	1	17	0	2	7	22
2	Karnataka	1	31	0	1	3	8
3	Kerala	1	14	0	0	1	1
4	Telangana	1	12	0	2	8	9
5	Tamilnadu	1	30	1	2	4	7
6	Lakshadweep	1	1	0	2	0	2
7	Puducherry	1	1	0	0	0	0

The State/UT Governments may explain the position with regard to action taken for filling up of the vacancies.

c) **Selection Procedure and pay structure for Members**

As per Section 10 (3) of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986, the salary or honorarium and other allowances payable to, and the other terms and conditions of service of the members of the District Forum shall be such as may be prescribed by the State Government. Further, as per section 16(2) of CP Act, 1986, the salary or honorarium and other allowances payable to, and the other terms and conditions of service of, the member of the State commission shall be such as may be prescribed by the State Government.

It is observed that there is large variation among States and UTs in the selection procedure and pay scales or honorarium of Members of State Commission and District Fora. The position with regard to the southern states is as under:

Sl.No.	Name of The States	State commissions		District Fora	
		Hon'ble Presidents	Members	Presidents	Members
1.	Andhra Pradesh	The Pay and Perquisites being paid on par with the sitting Judge of High Court	Consolidated Honorarium Rs. 51,550/- p.m.	Consolidated Honorarium Rs. 51,550/- p.m.	Consolidated Honorarium Rs. 39,530/- p.m.
2.	Karnataka	Salary & Allowances as applicable to the present sitting Judges of Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka	Honorarium Rs. 15,000/- p.m. + Rs. 2,000/- conveyance allowance (per month)	Salary & Allowances as applicable to present sitting District Judges	Honorarium Rs. 10,000/- p.m. + Rs. 1,000/- conveyance allowance (per month)
3.	Kerala	Rs. 1,04,180/- p.m. (High Court Judge)	Judicial Member 65,723/- Salary Other Members 37,000/- Honorarium	Whole time salary of District Judge (Rs. 80,168/-)	Honorarium Rs. 32,000/-
4.	Lakshadweep	Rs. 750/- per day of sitting, subject to a minimum of Rs.3,000/- p.m. and TA/DA as applicable to the judges of High Court also provided a residential telephone	Rs. 300/- per day of sitting, subject to a minimum of Rs.2,000/- p.m. and TA/DA as applicable to Grade-I Officer of the State Government	Rs. 450/- per day of sitting, subject to a minimum of Rs.2,500/- p.m. and TA/DA as applicable to Grade-I Officer of the Central Government	Rs. 200/- per day of sitting, subject to a minimum of Rs.1,500/- p.m. and TA/DA as applicable to Grade-I Officer of the Central Government

5.	Puducherry	Honorarium @ Rs. 20,000/- per month + sitting allowance of Rs. 500/- per day's sitting	<u>Full Time</u> Honorarium @ Rs. 25,000/- <u>Part-Time</u> Honorarium @ Rs. 15,000/- and Conveyance allowance of Rs. 500/- per day	Scale of pay of Rs. 16750-400-19150-450-20600	Honorarium Rs. 15,000/- p.m.
6.	Tamil Nadu	Retired High Court Judge Last Pay drawn minus Pension	Honorarium Rs. 15,000/- + Rs. 3,000/- Conveyance Allowance p.m.	Retired District Judge Last Pay drawn – Pension	Independent District Forum-Honorarium Rs. 11,250/- p.m. + Conveyance Rs. 1500/- p.m. Combined District Forum-Honorarium Rs. 7500/- p.m. + Conveyance Rs. 1500/- p.m.

The Central Government has been writing to the States from time to time to adopt uniform pay/honorarium for Members. The State/UT Governments may consider this and take action on there.

d) Implementation of Confonet Project

The Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs) is implementing a scheme for computerization and computer networking of all Consumer Fora in the country (CONFONET). The scheme is being implemented through the National Informatics Centre (NIC).

The scheme aims at improving operational efficiency, co-ordination, accessibility, speed in judicial administration and to set Information Communication Technology (ICT) infrastructure at Consumer Redressal forums all over India. It aims at providing e- Governance, efficiency, transparency, systematizing of working and to achieve time bound delivery of justice to the consumers.

Under this scheme, hardware, software and technical manpower is provided to the Consumer Fora.

The accomplishments of this system are:

- i. Automatic cause list generation
- ii. Ready availability of case status
- iii. Quick view of case history
- iv. Quick search facility using case number, complainant name, respondent name etc.
- v. Judgment search using free text search.
- vi. Automatic notice generation after one time master entry
- vii. Various statistical reports generation

The position under the CONFONET scheme with regard to the southern States is as under:

S N	STATE	Total Locations		Hardware supplied		Manpower Deployed		Working on OCMS		Remarks SC: State Commission DCF: District Consumer Forums OCMS: Online Case Monitoring System
		SC	DCF	At SC	At DCF	At SC	At DCF	SC	DCF	
1	Andhra Pradesh	1	17	1	17	1	17	1	17	-All Locations are working and using OCMS application. -In Kurnool DCF, Hardware was supplied in 2011. New H/w will be provided in 2017-18.
2	Telangana	1	12	1	12	1	12	1	12	-All Locations are working and using OCMS application.
3	Karnataka	1	31	1	31	1	31	0	31	-All DCF are using OCMS but State Commission (SC) is using locally developed application instead of OCMS.
4	Kerala	1	14	1	14	1	14	1	14	-All Locations are working and using OCMS application
5	Tamilnadu	1	31	1	31	1	31	1	31	-All Locations are working and using OCMS application
6	Lakshadweep	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	-All Locations are working and using OCMS application -Due to less no. of cases, as per request of the State Commission, only one manpower for both the locations (i.e. SC & DCF) has been deployed.

7	Puducherry	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-All Locations are working and using OCMS application
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The State/UT Governments and the Consumer Fora may explain the problems if any, being encountered by them in implementation of the scheme.

ITEM No.: 2. IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE CONSUMER HELP LINES

The Central Government is providing financial assistance to States for setting up and running State Consumer helplines. States are also given the flexibility to run the Helpline by itself or through a VCO or any other agency.

The Central Government has sanctioned funds to 33 States, out of which 25 are operational. The Ministry has set up a common Database Centre at IIPA, New Delhi known as State Consumer Helpline Knowledge Resources Portal, which hosts the website and software accessible to all States and UTs. States and UTs are expected to join this network of a single IT platform so that uniform services are available across the country.

The status of Helplines of States and UTs of Southern Zone is given below:-

State/UT	Whether operational/ Helpline Number	Funds released (in lakhs)	Year of release	UC/ Unspent balance	Whether migrated to common IT platform
Andhra Pradesh	Operational 1800-425-0082	27.25	2007-08	11.83 (revalidated in 2015-16)	Not done in spite of requests sent.
Karnataka	Operational 1800-425-9339	38.96	2008-09 to 2011-12	11.36	Agreement signed with IIPA and yet to migrate.
Kerala	Operational 1800-425-1550	31.96	2008-09 to 2009-10	7.86	Agreement signed recently and yet to migrate.

Lakshadweep	Not operational	21.95	2008-09	21.95	Agreement sent on September 2013 for signing. No response received in IIPA.
Puducherry	Operational 1800-425-1082,1800-425-1083,1800-425-1084,1800-425-1085	21.95	2010-11	21.95	Migrated to IIPA portal
Tamil Nadu	Operational 044-2859-2828	111.63	2008-09 to 2014-15	27.24	Migrated to IIPA portal
Telangana	Operational 1800-425-00333				Migrated to IIPA portal

The position with regard to release of grants and utilisation position is given below:

State/UT	Total grant released so far	Pending UC	Remarks
Andhra Pradesh	27.24 lakh	11.83 lakh	Revalidated recently. No further grants have been requested.
Karnataka	38.96 lakh	11.36 lakh	Only 2 instalments have been released. The State Govt may furnish UC and ask for further release.
Kerala	50.57 lakh	18.60 lakh (2014-15)	2 instalments have been released. Last instalment was released in 2014-15.
Lakshadweep	21.95 lakh	21.95 lakh	This was released initially in 2008-09 and no UC has been furnished so far.
Puducherry	27.66 lakh	-	2 instalments have been released. Last instalment was released in 2015-16.

Tamil Nadu	138.24 lakh	-	All the 5 instalments have been released. The last instalment of Rs 27.24 lakh was released in 2015-16.
Telangana	23 lakh	-	Initial non-recurring grant and 50% of 1 st instalment have been released in 2014-15. Balance of 50% of the 1 st instalment can be released on furnishing UC.

ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION:-

1. Migration to common IT platform hosted by IIPA
2. Operationalising of helpline
3. Monthly Uploading /reporting call details indicating sectoral and geographical details
4. Publicity to toll free numbers through JGJ campaign
5. Pending Utilisation certificates

ITEM No.3: CONSUMER AWARENESS (PUBLICITY) IN STATES

An enlightened consumer is an empowered consumer. An aware consumer not only protects himself from exploitation but induces efficiency, transparency and accountability in the entire manufacturing and services sector. In a big country like India, given the scenario of economic disparity and level of education and ignorance, educating the consumers remains a gigantic task.

The Consumer Awareness Scheme was started in the 10th Five year Plan with allocation of Rs.148.37 crores. With increased thrust on consumer awareness, in the 11th Five Year Plan, an allocation of Rs.429.00 crores was made. During the 11th Five Year Plan total expenditure was Rs.363.44 crores against the B.E. of Rs.391.23 crores.

In the 12th Five Year Plan the total allocation for consumer awareness scheme is Rs.409.29 crores. Year wise and medium wise cost summary for the plan period is enclosed (Annexure-1). The expenditure incurred on consumer awareness for the last 4 years is as follows:-

(Rs. in crores)			
Year	B.E.	R.E.	Expenditure
2012-13	89.00	69.08	66.46
2013-14	75.00	71.00	68.08
2014-15	75.00	76.46	76.43 (Provisional)
2015-16	75.00	---	64.47 (Till date)

State wise annual allocation of grant for consumer awareness

Name	Population	No. of Districts	Grant in a year subject to submission of UCs. (in Rs. Cr.)
Andhra Pradesh	84,665,533	23	0.5
Tamil Nadu	72,138,958	32	0.5
Karnataka	61,130,704	30	0.5
Kerala	33,387,677	14	0.3
Lakshadweep	64,429	1	0.1
Puduchery	1,244,464		0.1
TOTAL (IN Rs. Cr.)			2.0

Telangana: Rs. 20 Lakh.

PENDING UTILIZATION CERTIFICATES

Financial assistance is provided to the State Government/UTs under various schemes operated by the Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of India such as Legal Metrology, publicity, strengthening Consumer Fora & establishing State Consumer Helpline. Some of the State Governments/UTs do not furnish Utilization Certificates in respect of grants released in time. In the case of a few States/UTs the UCs are pending for a long time. As a result, further release of grant under the schemes does not become possible.

The State/UTs may furnish the pending Utilization Certificates as soon as possible along with proposals for release of further grant under the schemes.

The position with regard to pending UCs in respect of Consumer Awareness is given below:

The status of Grant-in-aid/pending utilization certificates from States/UTs from 2006 onwards

S.No.	Name of State	Year	Amount	U.C. Submitted	U.C. Pending	
			(In Rupees)	(In Rupees)	(In Rupees)	
1	Andhra Pradesh	2006-07	2875000.00	2875000.00	Nil	
		2007-08	2300000.00	2300000.00	Nil	
		2008-09	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2009-10	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2010-11	4600000.00	Nil	4600000.00	
		2011-12	3450000.00	Nil	3450000.00	
		2012-13	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2013-14	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2014-15	Nil	Nil	Nil	
2	Karnataka	2006-07	3375000.00	3375000.00	Nil	
		2007-08	2700000.00	Nil	2700000.00	
		2008-09	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2009-10	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2010-11	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2011-12	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2012-13	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2013-14	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2014-15	Nil	Nil	Nil	
3.	Tamil Nadu	2006-07	3625000.00	3625000.00	Nil	
		2007-08	2900000.00	2900000.00	Nil	
		2008-09	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2009-10	5800000.00	5800000.00	Nil	
		Special Project	2009-10	4000000.00	4000000.00	Nil
		2010-11	4800000.00	4800000.00	Nil	
		2011-12	4650000.00	Nil	4650000.00	
		2012-13	Nil	Nil	Nil	
		2014-15	Nil	Nil	Nil	

4.	Kerala	2006-07	1750000.00	1750000.00	Nil
		2007-08	1400000.00	1400000.00	Nil
		2008-09	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2009-10	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2010-11	2800000.00	2725108.00	74892.00
		2011-12	2100000.00	2045306.00	54694.00
	Special Project	2011-12	3100000.00	2782102.00	317898.00
		2012-13	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2013-14	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2014-15	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2015-16	2552516.00	Nil	2552516.00
5.	Telangana	2014-15	2000000.00	1785295.00	214705.00
		2015-16	2000000.00	Nil	2000000.00
6.	Puducherry	2006-07	500000.00	375000.00	125000.00
		2007-08	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2008-09	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2009-10	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2010-11	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2011-12	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2012-13	800000.00	Nil	800000.00
		2013-14	875000.00	Nil	875000.00
		2014-15	Nil	Nil	Nil
7.	Lakshadweep (UT)	2006-07	125000.00	Nil	125000.00
		2007-08	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2008-09	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2009-10	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2010-11	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2011-12	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2012-13	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2013-14	Nil	Nil	Nil
		2014-15	Nil	Nil	Nil

ITEM No.4 IMPLEMENTATION OF EC ACT AND PREVENTION OF BLACK MARKETING ACT.

The Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of India is administering the following two Acts:

- (a) The Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (EC Act, 1955)
- (b) The Prevention of Black-marketing and Maintenance of Supplies of Essential Commodities Act, 1980 (PBM Act, 1980)

Ensuring the availability of certain commodities, namely Essential Commodities, to the economically weaker people of the country at a fair price is a key objective of these legislations. To achieve this national goal, control of the production, supply and distribution of, and trade and commerce, in commodities essential to the general public as human beings is to be ensured statutorily.

The Essential Commodities Act, 1955 provides for the control of production, supply, distribution of essential commodities for maintaining or increasing supplies and for securing their equitable distribution and availability at fair prices. Most of the powers under the Act have been delegated by the Central Government to the State Governments.

The Prevention of Black-marketing and Maintenance of Supplies of Essential Commodities Act, 1980 is being implemented by the State Governments/UT Administrations for the prevention of unethical trade practices like hoarding and black-marketing. The Act empowers the Central and State Governments to detain persons whose activities are found to be prejudicial to the maintenance of supplies of commodities essential to the community.

The enforcement statistics with regard to these two Acts in respect of the 7 States/UTs are furnished in the succeeding pages.

ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS

Status as on 12.01.2016

ANDHRA PRADESH

1. Stock Limits imposed:

Name of Commodity	From	To date	Remarks
Pulses (all pulses taken together) Wholesaler- 4000 Qtls. Retailer- 120 Qtls.	08.08.2008	Continuing	--
Edible Oil ((all Edible Oil taken together) Wholesale- 1875 Qtls. Retail- 180Qtls.	08.08.2008	Continuing	--
Edible Oilseeds ((all Edible oilseeds taken together) Wholesaler- 4950 Qtls. Retailer- 338 Qtls.	08.08.2008	Continuing	--
Onion -Not Reported			

2. Cases under Prevention of Black Marketing Act: NIL. Detentions under PBMMSEC Act are ordered only if someone is found violating any order issued under the EC Act.

3. Implementation of EC Act during 2015(up to 31.12.2015)

No. of raids conducted	No. of persons arrested	No. of persons prosecuted	No. of convicted	Value of goods confiscated (Rs. In lakh)	ATR received up to	Remarks.
987	0	23	23	1056.51	October	----

- Either the Police or the Civil Departments should ensure regular inspection of every FPS, dealers of Fertilisers, Kerosene, LPG, other Petroleum products, Drugs, seeds of agriculture crops for detecting violation of Orders issued by the State or Central Government under the EC Act.
- All the essential commodities are to be covered in the report to check black marketing.
- Stock limit on Onion not imposed.

4. Follow up action on decisions of National Consultation Meetings held on 4.7.2014 & 7.7.2015:

- 4.7.2014- The State was required to submit detailed action plan for implementation of the plan for the period July to December, 2015. No plan was received. The PSC has now desired ATR on the action plan.
- 07.07.2015 – The State has to submit implementation report. The action plan may be discussed with the State Govt.

ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS

Status as on 12.01.2016

TELANGANA

1. Stock Limits imposed:

Name of Commodity	From	To date	Remarks
Pulses (all pulses taken together) Wholesaler- 4000 Qtls. Retailer- 120 Qtls.	08.08.2008	Continuing	--
Edible Oil (all Edible Oil taken together) Wholesale- 1875 Qtls. Retail- 180Qtls.	08.08.2008	Continuing	--
Edible Oilseeds (all Edible oilseeds taken together) Wholesaler- 4950 Qtls. Retailer- 338 Qtls.	08.08.2008	Continuing	--
Onion- Wholesaler -145 Qtls.			

2. Cases under Prevention of Black Marketing Act: 1(one). Detentions under PBMMSEC Act are ordered only if someone is found violating any order issued under the EC Act.

3. Implementation of EC Act during 2015(up to 31.12.2015)

No. of raids conducted	No. of persons arrested	No. of persons prosecuted	No. of convicted	Value of goods confiscated (Rs. In lakh)	ATR received up to	Remarks.
2183	286	2	0	572.94	October	----

- Either the Police or the Civil Departments should ensure regular inspection of every FPS, dealers of Fertilisers, Kerosene, LPG, other Petroleum products, Drugs, seeds of agriculture crops for detecting violation of Orders issued by the State or Central Government under the EC Act.
- All the essential commodities are to be covered in the report to check black marketing.
- Stock limit on Onion is imposed for wholesaler only.

4. Follow up action on decisions of National Consultation Meetings held on 4.7.2014 & 7.7.2015:

- 4.7.2014- The State was required to submit detailed action plan for implementation of the plan for the period July to December, 2015. No plan was received. The PSC has now desired ATR on the action plan.
- 07.07.2015 – The State has to submit implementation report. The action plan may be discussed with the State Govt..

ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS

Status as on 12.01.2016

KARNATAKA

1. Stock Limits imposed:

Name of Commodity	From	To date	Remarks
Pulses Wholesaler- 2000 Qtls. Retailer- 50 Qtls.	17.10.2015	Continuing	--
Edible Oil Wholesale- 1200 Qtls. Retail-50 Qtls.	17.10.2015	Continuing	--
Edible Oilseeds Wholesaler- 2000 Qtls. Retailer- 50 Qtls.	17.10.2015	Continuing	--
Onion- Wholesaler –No stock limit.			

2. Cases under Prevention of Black Marketing Act: Nil. Detentions under PBMMSEC Act are ordered only if someone is found violating any order issued under the EC Act.

3. Implementation of EC Act during 2015(up to 31.12.2015)

No. of raids conducted	No. of persons arrested	No. of persons prosecuted	No. of convicted	Value of goods confiscated (Rs. In lakh)	ATR received up to	Remarks.
571	128	0	3	16.71	August	----

- Either the Police or the Civil Departments should ensure regular inspection of every FPS, dealers of Fertilisers, Kerosene, LPG, other Petroleum products, Drugs, seeds of agriculture crops for detecting violation of Orders issued by the State or Central Government under the EC Act.
- All the essential commodities are to be covered in the report to check black marketing.
- No Stock limit on Onion.

4. Follow up action on decisions of National Consultation Meetings held on 4.7.2014 & 7.7.2015:

- 4.7.2014- The State was required to submit detailed action plan for implementation of the plan for the period July to December, 2015. No plan was received. The PSC has now desired ATR on the action plan.
- 07.07.2015 – The State has to submit implementation report. The action plan may be discussed with the State Govt..

Enforcement Statistics

Status as on 12.01.2016

TAMIL NADU

1. Stock Limits imposed:

Name of Commodity	From	To date	Remarks
Pulses(all areas taken together) Wholesaler- 10000 Qtls. Retailer- 325 Qtls.	04.10.2015	Continuing	--
Edible Oil (all areas taken together) Wholesale- 1250 Qtls. Retail-40 Qtls.	04.10.2015	Continuing	--
Edible Oilseeds (all areas taken together) Wholesaler- 3000 Qtls. Retailer- 225 Qtls.	04.10.2015	Continuing	--
Onion -State Govt. has not provided the details of imposed stock limit			

2. Cases under Prevention of Black Marketing Act: 196. Detentions under PBMMSEC Act are ordered only if someone is found violating any order issued under the EC Act.

3. Implementation of EC Act during 2015(up to 31.12.2015)

No. of raids conducted	No. of persons arrested	No. of persons prosecuted	No. of convicted	Value of goods confiscated (Rs. In lakh)	ATR received up to	Remarks.
29	41	41	0	0.09	October	----

- Either the Police or the Civil Departments should ensure regular inspection of every FPS, dealers of Fertilisers, Kerosene, LPG, other Petroleum products, Drugs, seeds of agriculture crops for detecting violation of Orders issued by the State or Central Government under the EC Act.
- All the essential commodities are to be covered in the report to check black marketing.
- State Govt. has not provided the details of imposed stock limit.

4. Follow up action on decisions of National Consultation Meetings held on 4.7.2014 & 7.7.2015:

- 4.7.2014- The State was required to submit detailed action plan for implementation of the plan for the period July to December, 2015. No plan was received. The PSC has now desired ATR on the action plan.
- 07.07.2015 – The State has to submit implementation report. The action plan may be discussed with the State Govt..

Enforcement Statistics

Status as on 12.01.2016

KERALA**1. Stock Limits imposed:**

Name of Commodity	From	To date	Remarks
Pulses Wholesaler- 1000 Qtls. Retailer- 20 Qtls.	20.10.2009	Continuing	--
Edible Oil Wholesale- Nil Retail- Nil	---	---	--
Edible Oilseeds Wholesaler- Nil Retailer- Nil	---	--	--
Onion -Not reported.			

2. Cases under Prevention of Black Marketing Act: Nil. Detentions under PBMMSEC Act are ordered only if someone is found violating any order issued under the EC Act.

3. Implementation of EC Act during 2015(up to 31.12.2015)

No. of raids conducted	No. of persons arrested	No. of persons prosecuted	No. of convicted	Value of goods confiscated (Rs. In lakh)	ATR received up to	Remarks.
8430	10	4	1	63.83	October	----

- Either the Police or the Civil Departments should ensure regular inspection of every FPS, dealers of Fertilisers, Kerosene, LPG, other Petroleum products, Drugs, seeds of agriculture crops for detecting violation of Orders issued by the State or Central Government under the EC Act.
- All the essential commodities are to be covered in the report to check black marketing.
- State Govt. has not reported the stock limit on Onion

4. Follow up action on decisions of National Consultation Meetings held on 4.7.2014 & 7.7.2015:

- 4.7.2014- The State was required to submit detailed action plan for implementation of the plan for the period July to December, 2015. No plan was received. The PSC has now desired ATR on the action plan.
- 07.07.2015 – The State has to submit implementation report. The action plan may be discussed with the State Govt..

Enforcement Statistics

Status as on 12.01.2016

PUDUCHERRY

1. **Stock Limits imposed:** The stock limit on commodities viz. Pulses, Edible Oil, Edible Oilseeds and Onion have not been reported by the UT administrator.
2. **Cases under Prevention of Black Marketing Act: Nil.** Detentions under PBMMSEC Act are ordered only if someone is found violating any order issued under the EC Act.
3. **Implementation of EC Act during 2015(up to 31.12.2015)**

No. of raids conducted	No. of persons arrested	No. of persons prosecuted	No. of convicted	Value of goods confiscated (Rs. In lakh)	ATR received up to	Remarks.
674	0	2	--	0.63	October	----

- Either the Police or the Civil Departments should ensure regular inspection of every FPS, dealers of Fertilisers, Kerosene, LPG, other Petroleum products, Drugs, seeds of agriculture crops for detecting violation of Orders issued by the State or Central Government under the EC Act.
 - All the essential commodities are to be covered in the report to check black marketing.
4. **Follow up action on decisions of National Consultation Meetings held on 4.7.2014 & 7.7.2015:**
 - 4.7.2014- The UT was required to submit detailed action plan for implementation of the plan for the period July to December, 2015. No plan was received. The PSC has now desired ATR on the action plan.
 - 07.07.2015 – The UT has to submit implementation report. The action plan may be discussed with the UT Administrator.

ITEM No.5. IMPLEMENTATION OF LEGAL METROLOGY PROJECTS.

LEGAL METROLOGY

Material for Southern States Meeting to be held on 16.1.2016 at Bangalore

Details of Grant in Aid released and Utilization Certificates pending (Rs. in Crores)

S. No	Name of the State	Grant in Aid released during								Total Grant in Aid released during 2009-16	Grant in Aid pending year wise						Total Un-Utilized Grant in Aid as on Date
		09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	09-10		10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	
1	Andhra Pradesh	0	0.06	0.0	-	-	-	5.25	5.37	-	0.06	-	-	-	5.25	-	5.31
2	Karnataka	2.2	0.06	0.0	2.8	-	5.5	4.0	14.67	-	0.06	-	-	3.8	4.0	-	7.92
3	Kerala	-	2.89	0.0	-	-	-	-	2.95	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	Tamil Nadu	-	0.06	1.0	-	3.25	-	-	4.37	-	0.06	-	3.25	-	-	-	3.40
5	Telangana	-	-	-	-	-	5.75	-	5.75	-	-	-	-	5.7	5	-	5.75
6	Lakshdweep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Puducherry	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		5															

Total grand in aid released to States during 2009-16: Rs. 33.36 Crore,

Total UC Received: Rs. 10.98 Crore,

Total UC Pending: Rs. 22.38 Crore

Pending Utilization Certificates

Sr. No.	State	UC Pending (Rs. in crore)
1	Andhra Pradesh	5.31
2	Karnataka	7.92
3	Tamil Nadu	3.40
4	Telangana	5.75
	Total	Rs. 22.38 Crore

LEGAL METROLOGY

S. No	Name of the State	Grant in Aid released during										Total Grant in Aid released during 2009-16	Utilization certificate received	Un- Utilized Grant in Aid as on Date
		09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16						
1	Andhra Pradesh	0	0.06	0.06	-	-	-	-	-	5.25	5.37	0.06	5.31	
2	Karnataka	2.25	0.06	0.06	2.80	-	5.5	4.0	14.67	6.75	7.92			
3	Kerala	-	2.89	0.06	-	-	-	-	2.95	-	-			
4	Tamil Nadu	-	0.06	1.06	-	3.25	-	-	4.37	0.97	3.40			
5	Telangana	-	-	-	-	-	5.75	-	5.75	-	5.75			
6	Lakshdweep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
7	Puducherry	0.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.25	-	-			

Utilization of equipments supplied by UOI:

(i) **Utilization of Mobile weighbridge testing kits:** Mobile weighbridge testing kits fitted with crane and standard weights for testing of weighbridges were supplied to State Governments. It is informed that these kits are not being fully utilized. Therefore it is requested to utilize the said kits and inform to this Department for needful.

(ii) **Utilization of CNG/ LPG testing kits used for testing of CNG/ LPG dispensers:** CNG/ LPG testing kits used for testing of CNG/ LPG dispensers were supplied to State Governments. It is requested to utilize these kits effectively and inform to this Department for needful.

(iii) It is requested to utilize other equipments viz. standard weights, capacity measures, check measures, length measures etc. and inform to this Department for needful.

Capacity Building: The Govt. of India is organising many training programmes for the Legal Metrology Officers of States/ UTs at Fluid Control Research Institute, Palakkad, Kerala, NITS, Bureau of Indian Standards, Noida and National Physical Laboratory, New Delhi on Fuel Dispensers, LPG/ CNG Dispensers, Laboratory Quality Management System, Measurement Uncertainty, Mass, Length, Volume, Density, Blood Pressure Measurement and Thermometer Testing etc., where the LM officers of **State Governments** are sent for training. It is requested to continue to send your officers for these training programs.

Enforcement Data: It is requested to provide the enforcement data related with complaints received, inspection done and cases booked in respect of weights and measures, weighing and measuring instruments, dispensing units and packaged commodities.

Equipments supplied under 11th Five Year Plan.

Sr. No.	Name of equipment	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Kerala	Tamil Nadu	Telangana	Lakshadweep	Puducherry
1	Working Standard Weights	7	7	6	7		1	2
2	Working Standard Capacity Measure	7	7	6	7		1	2
3	Check Measure for dispensing pumps	Are being supplied to all States/ UTs and will be completed by 31.12.2016						
4	Mobile kit for weigh Bridges	2	2	2	2		-	2
5	Secondary standards Weights	2	2	2	2			
6	Computer with printer	27	27	24	27		2	6
7	Kit for checking L.P.G. dispensers	2	2	2	2			
8	Kit for checking C.N.G. dispensers	2		2	2			
9	Secondary Standard Balances	5	4	1	4		1	1

Equipments supplied / to be supplied during 12th Plan

Sr. No.	Name of equipment	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Kerala	Tamil Nadu	Telangana	Lakshadweep	Puducherry
1	Working Standard Weights	4	7	6	7	3	1	2
2	Working Standard Capacity Measure	4	7	6	7	3	1	2
3	Check Measure for dispensing pumps (Are being supplied to all States/ UTs and will be completed by 31.12.2016)	70	120	90	120	50	10	15

4	Mobile kit for weigh Bridges	2	2	1	1	1				
5	Secondary standards Weights	1	2	3	3	1	1			
6	Computer with printer	16	27	24	27	11	2			6
7	Kit for checking L.P.G. dispensers	6	20	20		4				
8	Kit for checking C.N.G. dispensers	6	20	20		4				
9	Working Standard Balances	4	7	6	7	3	1			2
10	PCR Mobile vans	12	14	14	7	8	1			2
11	Sphygmomanometer (B P Meter) Testing kits	9	15	5	6	6				
12	Thermometer Testing kits	9	17	6	6	6				
14	Taxi Meter Testing kits		11	7						1
16	Secondary Standard Balances	5	4	1	4		1			1
17	Proving Measures		4	2			1			