GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM FOOD, CIVIL SUPPLIES & CONSUMER AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6

ACS/FCS&CA/1/2020

Dated Dispur the 25th March 2020

ADVISORY ON AVAILABILITY OF FOOD ITEMS AND MAINTENANCE OF SUPPLY CHAIN.

In view of the outbreak of Covid-19 disease, and subsequent lock down as ordered by state government and government of India, and in pursuance of the video conference held with the Deputy Commissioners under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary Assam, on 25-03-2020, Department of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs hereby issues the following advisory for maintenance of supply chain of essential commodities including food grains, groceries, vegetables, dairy products, meat and fish, salt and spices, oil, legumes and daals, etc for the public.

Next to the immediate need for quarantine and health care, food is the single most critical item, whose availability has to be ensured. Necessary food production centres like rice mills, flour mills, bakeries etc are required to function with increased emphasis on sanitization and stringent precautionary measures. Hence;

- 1. There is a need to identify various stakeholders in the supply chain, ie the wholesalers, dealers, retailers, labourers, labour sardars, etc. Regular meetings need to be held with them and local issues attended to promptly. In case issues require escalation or decision at higher level, they may be informed to government promptly.
- 2. An assessment of the requirement of various essential items as listed above, as well as availability of stock needs to be made by the Deputy Commissioner's office immediately, and reviewed on a daily basis. Representatives from respective departments viz Food and civil supplies, Agriculture and allied departments, Dairy, Cooperation, should be drafted to collect data which should be collated at DC's office and shared with government
- 3. Since the purpose of lock down is to ensure that no congregation of people takes place, timing of operation of wholesale shops can be from 8 Am to 4 PM and for retailers from 9:30 Am to 7PM. Social distancing is to be ensured in each establishment with proper sanitization facility
- 4. Meeting with Chambers of Commerce, Transporters is to be done regularly to ensure maintenance of supply chain of essential items
- 5. Close coordination with Railway authorities may be maintained, to ensure supply of necessary essential items including food and vegetables, as presently there is major dependence on railways for inter-state supply of essential items. Railway authorities can be requested to waive off demurrage charges. Railways are allowing break up of rakes at 3-4 locations. Chambers of commerce may be informed accordingly, and encouraged to nominate nodal persons to meet Railway representatives on regular basis. Police, Executive Magistrates and concerned officials may be sensitised on this issue too.
- 6. Availability of labour is to be ensured to clear stranded and future incoming rakes of food grains/essential goods in railways yards. Social distancing among labours along with proper sanitization facility should be ensured.

- and traders to allow their movement without any hassle. District authority may organise distribution vans for supply of essential items to every household.
- 9. All initiatives taken at the district level should be widely published through district websites, local print, audio-visual and social media.
- 10. Lifting of PDS article is essential. All shops under PDS system have to be functional. Proper and timely lifting of food items has to be ensured by all GPSS and FPS.
- 11. For any matter related to interstate movement of trucks or any other permission, Mr G.P Singh, ADGP, L&O, Assam, may be contacted.
- 12. Daily report on food stock at the district level is to be sent by 4pm. Any shortage of food grains may be reported to Addl CS, Food & Civil Supplies without any delay.
- 13. In Council areas, close coordination with the council authorities should be maintained to ensure seamless supply of essential items.

It is reiterated that at all times and in all operations, proper sanitising of premises, vehicles, instruments, etc, should be done and norms of social distancing should be rigorously followed.

Addl Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department Dispur, Guwahati-06

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Copy to

- 1. The staff officer of the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Dispur for information
- 2. The Director, Food & Civil Supplies Department for information and necessary action
- 3. All Deputy Commissioners for information

By Order etc

Addl Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department Dispur, Guwahati-06

Sl. No.	Name of FCI Division	Storage Capacity	Stock Position				Average Monthly		Sufficiency of stocks in term			
			With FCI		With State*							
			Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice		
1	Kokrajhar	25520	508	25614	NA	NA.	734	12491.6	0.692098093	2.050497935		
2	Bongaigaon		1130	56199	NA	NA	672	17916.36	1.681547619	3.136742061		
3	Guwahati	80240	7823	65355	NA	NA	226	16582.89	34.61504425	3.941110385		
4		52500	2915	44726	NA	NA	433	16203.155	6.732101617	2.760326615		
4		32300	2020	44720	1.00							
	North	30840	2127	25387	NA	NA	439	7684.205	4.845102506	3.303790047		
5	Lakhimpur	36554	5683	27681	NA	NA	871	20055.625	6.524684271	1.380211287		
7	Nagaon	-	4173	26471	NA	NA	516	14103.54	8.087209302	1.876904664		
_	Jorhat	35386	2173	29693	NA	NA	867	11816.18	2.506343714	2.512910264		
8	Dibrugarh	39790	1161	38582	NA	NA	1023	16815.65	1.134897361	2.294410267		
9	Silchar	42500	_	339708	1.00		5781	133669.21	4.790347691	2.541408098		
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Hatsingimari	975 Qtis		1200 Qtl	54 Qtl	730 Qti	320 Qtl	2016 Qtl			2635 Tin	2001 Tes	2065 Pht	2092 Pht	1300 Qcis	2002 Qsls
Hojai	3800 QII	200 Qtds	60 Qths	9 Otla	37 Qtis		158 Qts			145 Tin	210 Tin	120 Bgs	2450 Bags	118 Qtls	60 Qds
Diphu	730 Qtls	3000 QII	530 Qti	150 Qtis						2150 Tin	2050 Tin	2160 Pkt	4582 Q84	2030 Qti	480 Otl
Kamrup Metro	82000 Qtls	130 Qtls	30 Qtla	100Qtls	30 Qtls							S00 Qtls	170 Qtis	7 Qtis	6 Qtls
Jorhat	16360 Qti	31450 Qtls	3545 Qtls	4236 Qtls	2237 Qtls		45000 Qtls			10453 Tin	1300 Tin	1324 Qtls	18600 Qtis	-	
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9. Tezpur	6021 Qds	680 Quints 2864 Qtls	190 Qtls	100 Qtl	90 Qti					468 Tin	350 Tin	_	485 Qtls	370 Qris	
10. N. Lakhimpur	3400 Qtls	2780 Otls	296 Qtl	375 Qtl	480 Qtl		2100 Qtl	13988 Tin		4574 Tin		535 Qtl	48750 Qtl	_	
II. Goalpara	7024 Qtl	681 Qtl	179 Qtl	165 Qtl	166 Qtl		1150 Qtl		-	1750 Tin	1190 Ti			648 Pk	
12.Dibrugarh	3820 Qtls	1030 Qtls	295 Qtl	20 Qtl	1212 Qt/s	5	1224 Pkt	_	259 Tu				3398 Fkt		
13. Cachar	14000 Qtls	3800 Qtis	80 Qtls	40 Qtls	80 Qtls	-	1550 Qtls		-	2402 Tir	_	_	390 Qtls		
14.Majuli	291.35 Otls	66.75 Qtls	220 Qtla	124 Qtls	42 Qtls	-	9000 Qtl		+-	5023 Tir	_	_		56 Qtl	
15. Nagaon	10885 Qd	4000 Qtl	2335 011	820 Qtl	2.10 Qti		91.45 Qt 2750 Qt		-	232 Tin		38.75 P			
16.Nalbari	2200 Qtls	1620 Qtls	326 Otls			_									
17. Darrang	2890 Qtl	1360 Otl	172 Qtl	175 Qtls 442 Qtl			2200 Qt		-	540 Tir		Tin 460 Qt			
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22.Udalguri	1260 Qtls	190 Qtls	110 Qtls	60 Qtis			850 Q					00 Tin 120			Qtls 60 Q