

## FORM XV

Area :\*

Rationing Area

APPLICATION FORM FOR DUPLICATE CARDS IN CASES OF LOST/  
STOLEN/TORN/DEFACED RATION CARDS

CODE No. ....

SERIAL No. ....

Warnings.—(1) Any false statement made in this application and known to be such would be punishable.

(2) In case of Torn/Defaced card, old must accompany this application.

I. I, .....  
(Name beginning with surname)

age ..... residing at .....

apply for a duplicate card as my †Household/Heavy Manual Labourer/  
Establishment Ration Card† ..... registered at Authorised  
Ration Shop ..... (Reference  
Register No. ....) has been lost/stolen/torn/defaced  
on ..... and all efforts to locate it have failed.

II. I shall register the new card when received at the same Authorised  
Ration Shop, viz.,

III. Name of the employer/business and his/business address ...  
.....

IV.

Name(s) of the person(s) other than the applicant who normally reside(s) with the applicant as member(s) of the Household (a)	Relationship with the applicant (b)	Age (c)	Occupation (d)
1. ....	.....	.....	.....
2. ....	.....	.....	.....
3. ....	.....	.....	.....
4. ....	.....	.....	.....
5. ....	.....	.....	.....

(Attach a list if necessary)

\*—\*Here mention the name of the rationing area.

†—†Substituted vide G. O. No. ECA-2268-F, dated 13-1-69.

\*V. None of the persons mentioned above is included in my application for Household/Establishment Ration Card or any Household/Establishment Ration Card except my old Ration Card No. ....

VI. If the lost Card is found, I shall surrender it immediately.

VII. I declare that all the above statements are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct.

Date .....

Signature of applicant,  
 †Signature of the Employer or  
 his representative over his  
 designation rubber stamp, in  
 case of Heavy manual Labourer  
 Ration Card. †

\*—\*Substituted vide G. O. No. ECA-2268-F, dated 13-1-1969.

†—†Inserted vide G. O. No. ECA-2268-F, dated 13-1-1969.

FORM XV

**Counterfoil**

*(Preserve this carefully ; if lost, issue of Card will be delayed)*

Area :\$. .....

**Rationing Area**

CODE No. ....

SERIAL No. ....

To be produced on .....

Received Ration Card No. ....

Date .....

.....  
 for Controller of Rationing.  
 \$. .... Rationing Area.

\*—\*Here mention the name of the rationing area.  
 Strike out whichever is not applicable.

In case of defaced/torn cards the following details may be obtained from A. R. S. K. :—

Serial No. .... Card No. .... Reference No. ....  
A. R. S. No. .... units .... signature and stamp of A. R. S. K.

RATIONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:—

ORDERS OF RATIONING OFFICER:—

Received Ration Card No. .... Units .....

Date ..... Signature of applicant.

### FORM XVI

Cash Memo No. ....  
Name of A. R. S. ....  
Address of A. R. S. ....  
Daily Serial No. .... A. R. S. No. ....  
Ref. No. .... Unit .....

Card/s No. .... Date .....

Name of rationed article (1)	Retail rate per kilogram (2)	quantity supplied (3)	Price charged (4)
	Rs. P.	Kg. Grams	Rs. P.
Rice			
Wheat			
Sugar			
†—†			
Total ..			
Signature*			
Week/s			

\*—\*Table Substituted vide G. O. No. ECA-2269-F, dated 8-7-1969.

†—†Any other controlled commodity sold by the Authorised Ration Shop-keeper should be shown here.

**THE MAHARASHTRA SCHEDULED COMMODITIES  
(REGULATION OF DISTRIBUTION) ORDER, 1975**

FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT

Sachivalaya Annexe, Bombay-400 032, dated 26th September 1975.

*(Corrected upto 31-3-1995)*

**ORDER**

ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES ACT, 1955.

No. ECA-2375/2598/II.—In exercise of the powers conferred by subsection (1), read with clauses (c), (d), (e), (f), (h), (i), (ii) and (j) of subsection (2) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (X of 1955), and of all other powers enabling the Government of Maharashtra in this behalf, read with the order of the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Food), No. GSR. 316 (E), dated the 20th June 1972 and the orders of the Government of India, Ministry of Industry and Civil Supplies (Department of Civil Supplies and Co-operation), No. S. O. 681 (E) and S. O. 682 (E), dated the 30th November 1974 and with the prior concurrence of the Central Government, the Government of Maharashtra hereby makes the following Order, namely :—

1. *Short title, extent and commencement.*—(1) This order may be called the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Order, 1975.

(2) It extends to the whole of the State of Maharashtra excluding the Rationing Area.

(3) It shall come into force on the 1st day of October 1975.

2. *Definitions.*—In this order, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) " authorised agent " means an individual, firm, company, co-operative society or other association or body of persons, authorised under clause 3 or 4 to obtain or supply Scheduled Commodities in their individual capacity or on behalf of their constituent Fair Price Shops, and to deliver the same to the Shops, and includes any person who conducts the business or affairs of such authorised agent.

*Explanation.*—The agency for the purposes of obtaining an authorisations under clause 3 shall be created by the authorised fair price shop by means of a letter of appointment, which shall be

lodged with the Collector concerned. Such letter of appointment shall be in such Form as may be prescribed by the regulations made under clause 8. Any revocation of such agency shall not take effect until written intimation thereof in such Form as may likewise be prescribed is sent to and received by the Collector.

(b) " authorised establishment " means a person in-charge of an establishment authorised under the provisions of clause 3, and includes a person in-charge of an establishment under the control of Government.

*Explanation.*—On the commencement of this Order in any area, a person in-charge of an establishment, who was appointed or authorised, or deemed to be appointed or authorised by or on behalf of Government as an authorised establishment or by any other designation, and whose appointment or authorisation was in force immediately before such commencement, shall be deemed to be an authorised establishment in that area for the purposes of this Order, unless otherwise directed by Government or the Collector of the District concerned.

\*(b-1) " Foodgrains coupons under the Food for work programme or similar other programme " means coupons printed and supplied by the State Government for being exchanged by the workers engaged on rural public work or anybody on their behalf for certain quantity of foodgrains specified thereon with the Fair Price Shop without monetary consideration whatsoever ".\*

†(b-2) " camp office " means a temporary office as the Collector may, by a public notice issued in that behalf, set up at such place and for such period as may be mentioned in the public notice, for enabling the household supply card-holders to surrender household supply cards for the time being held by them, to the Collector.†

(c) " Collector " means the Collector of the District, and includes the Foodgrains Distribution Officer, the Assistant Foodgrains Distribution Officer, the District Supply Officer, the Assistant District Supply Officer and such other officers as may be authorised by the State Government or the Collector in this behalf.

\*—\*Inserted *vide* G. O. No. ECA-2378/990/(737)/XXIII, dated 31st July 1980.

†—†Inserted *vide* G. O. No. ECA-2382/722/(1248)/XXIII, dated 16th August 1982.

\*(c-1) "Commissioner" means a Commissioner for a Division appointed under the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code, 1966 and includes an Additional Commissioner". \*

†(ca) "dealer" means a person engaged in the business of purchase, sale or storage for sale, of one or more scheduled commodities, and includes a person who desires to engage in such business and has applied to the authority concerned to be authorised as a fair price shop", †

(d) "establishment" means catering establishments, institutions, residential establishments, manufacturing establishments, mills, industries, animal establishments and any other establishments or class of establishments which the State Government or the Collector may declare to be the establishments for the purposes of this Order.

(e) "establishment consumption" means all consumption of scheduled commodities obtained on the Supply Card by the establishment concerned.

(f) "fair price shop" means a person in-charge of a shop authorised under the provisions of clause 3, and includes a person in-charge of a shop where scheduled commodities are sold and is under the control of Government.

*Explanation.*—On the commencement of this order in any area, every person, who was appointed or authorised, or deemed to be appointed or authorised by or on behalf of Government as an authorised fair price shop or by any other designation, and whose appointment or authorisation was in force immediately before such commencement, shall be deemed to be a fair price shop in that area for the purposes of this Order, unless otherwise directed by Government or the Collector.

(g) "household consumption" means all consumption of scheduled commodities other than establishment consumption.

(h) "levy sugar" means sugar sold or supplied by the Sugar Factories to the State Government or to its Officers or agents, under the orders made by the Central Government under clause (f) of subsection (2) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (X of 1955).

\*—\*Inserted *vide* G. O. No. ECA-2381/893/(1092)/XXIII, dated 7th November 1981.

†—†Inserted *vide* G. O. No. ECQ-2176/XXIII, 29th December 1976.

(i) "rationing area" means any area in which the Maharashtra Foodgrains Rationing (Second) Order, 1966 is in force.

(j) "scheduled commodities" means all or any of the commodities and the products thereof specified in the Schedule.

"\*(j-1) "supply slip" means a temporary household supply card issued, under clause 6-A of this Order in the form prescribed in the Appendix to this order, valid only for the period specified therein, for obtaining supplies of Scheduled Commodities".\*

(k) "Supply card" means a household supply card, establishment supply card, permit or any other document issued or made available under the provisions of this Order, and includes the foodgrains card, supply card, permit or any other document issued before the commencement of this order in any area and on which scheduled foodgrains and other scheduled commodities were obtainable immediately before such commencement, shall be deemed to be the supply card made available for obtaining scheduled commodities in that area under the provisions of this Order.

(l) "Supply Document" † means a supply card, foodgrains coupons under the food for work programme or similar other programme or an authorisation " † issued under clause 3 or 4 or any other document issued or deemed to be issued or made available under the provisions of this Order for purchasing, selling or distribution of the scheduled commodities.

(m) "schedule" means the schedule appended to this Order.

**3. Issue of authorisation to fair price shops and agents to obtain and supply scheduled commodities.—**(1) with a view to controlling the distribution of scheduled commodities, the State Government or the Collector may issue an authorisation to any person for being a fair price shop or for being an agent of any fair price shop, to obtain and supply scheduled commodities in accordance with the provisions prescribed by or under this Order.

@(2) Every fair price shop shall deposit with the Government or the Collector, a sum not exceeding Rs. 5,000 as may be specified by it in this

\*—\*Inserted *vide* ECA-2382/722/(1248)/XXIII, dated 16th August 1982.

†—†Substituted *vide* G.O. No. ECA-2378/990/(737)/XXIII, dated 31st July 1980.

@—@Substituted *vide* G.O. No. SAVIVYA. 1092/2467/(CR-6526)/CS-XXVIII, dated 7th June 1993.

behalf, for the due performance of the conditions of the authorisation and the sum so deposited or any part thereof, may without prejudice to any other penalty, after enquiry and for reasons to be recorded in writing, be forfeited by the State Government or the Collector for contravention of any such conditions. If, as a result of any departmental action, the sum deposited or any part thereof forfeited, the fair price shop shall forthwith pay to Government such amount as may be required to make up the prescribed sum to be deposited as security."@

(3) On the commencement of this Order in any area, in the case of an authorised fair price shop who is deemed to be a fair price shop under the Explanation to sub-clause (f) of clause 2, any sum which stands deposited by him as security immediately before such commencement shall be deemed to be deposited with the State Government as full or part security for the purposes of this clause.

(4) The State Government or the Collector may, at any time whether at the request of the fair price shop or authorised agent or *suo-motu*, after making such enquiry as may be deemed necessary and for reasons to be recorded in writing, add to, amend, vary, suspend or cancel the authorisation issued or deemed to be issued to him under this clause.

**\*3-A. Order of priority to be followed in issuing authorisations to ration shops.**—(1) While issuing authorisation to ration shops under clause 3, the State Government or the Collector, as the case may be, shall †—† give due regard to the following order of priority, namely:—

A. *I. T. D. P. Areas.*—(1) Adiwasi person permanently residing in a village or in the village included in the group of villages for which a fair price shop is to be granted. The Adiwasi educated woman shall however, be given priority over educated unemployed Adiwasi person.

(2) Adiwasi Co-operative Societies at village level, (3) Consumer Co-operative Society of Adiwasi Woman, (4) Other Consumer Co-operative Societies.

@—@Substituted vide G. O. No. SAVIVYA 1092/2467/CR-6526/CS-XXVIII, dated 7th June 1993.

\*—\*Substituted vide G. O. No. SAVIVYA 1091/2424/CR-6178/CS-28, dated 28th January 1992.

†—†The words "as far as possible" deleted vide G. O. No. SAVIVYA 1091/2424/CR-6178/CS-28, dated 18th May 1992.



B. *Other Areas.*—(1) Consumer Co-operative Society of Women, (2) Other Consumer Co-operative Societies, (3) Vividh Karyakari Seva Sahakari Sanstha at village level. (4) Person from Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe, (5) Freedom Fighter, (6) Ex-serviceman (includes the widow, son or unmarried daughter of serviceman killed in war action), (7) Physically handicapped person, (8) Project affected persons, (9) Others.

(2) While following the priority from Sr. Nos. 4 to 9 under sub-clause (1), the woman applicant and thereafter the educated unemployed person shall be given priority in the respective group.

*Explanation.*—While considering the physically handicapped person, the priority shall be given to the physically handicapped woman and thereafter physically handicapped educated unemployed person shall be considered. However, physically, handicapped woman shall not be considered over ex-serviceman.

(3) Government or the Collector may issue an authorisation to State level or Divisional level institutes such as Mahila Arthik Vikas Mahamandal, Maharashtra State Co-operative Marketing Federation, Maharashtra State Consumers' Federation, Vidharbha State Co-operative Marketing Society or any Government undertaking or institute having a chain of shops such as Super Bazar, Apana Bazar, irrespective of priorities laid down under sub-clause (1). Similarly, when a fair price shop is to be granted to the employees Co-operative Society established by the employees or a shop is to be run by the industries for their employees the priorities shall not be taken into consideration. Similarly, highest priority shall be given to the Consumer Co-operative Society formed by the residents in their locality for their mutual benefit, if they possess the requisite provision for shop. Similarly, when a shop is available for allotment on account of death of shopkeeper, the same shop may be granted to his widow or son if they possess the requisite ability and administrative capacity for running a ration shop.—

) "3-B". Existing authorisations to fair price shops to continue.— Notwithstanding anything contained in this order and the regulation made thereunder, all authorisations to fair price shops issued under this order and in force on the date of commencement of the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities Regulation of Distribution (Amendment) Order, 1999 shall be valid unless the same are cancelled due to termination by shopkeeper, or any action taken for breach of the

conditions of licence or non-observation of the directions given by the competent authority. On the date of commencement of the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) (Amendment) Order, 1992, or as soon as possible, thereafter, new authorisation shall be issued having regard to the order of priority prescribed under clause 3A.\*

4. *Issue of authorisation to the manufacturers, processors or suppliers of the scheduled commodities as agents of Government.*—With a view to controlling distribution of Scheduled commodities made available to consumers in open market by the manufacturers, processors and suppliers, the State Government or the Collector may issue an authorisation to such manufacturers, processors or suppliers to act as agents of Government under the Public distribution system, on such terms and conditions as may be specified by Government.

5. *Supply of scheduled commodities by fair price shops.*—No fair price shop shall sell or agree to sell or supply scheduled commodities to any person, except for household consumption or establishment consumption or for the purposes of an establishment other than establishment consumption, except at such prices as may be specified by the Central Government or by the State Government with the prior concurrence of the Central Government and except under and in accordance with the provisions prescribed by or under this Order.

6. *Power to issue supply cards.*—(1) With a view to controlling the distribution of schedule commodities, the State Government or the Collector may issue or cause to be issued supply cards to any person or class of persons or to the public generally ;

Provided that, no such card shall be delivered to any person, unless such person or any adult member of his family to whom the document is tendered on his behalf signs in token of receipt of such document as required by the officer delivering such document.

(2) The State Government or the Collector or any officer authorised by the State Government or by the Collector may, at any time, whether at the request of the person to whom any supply card has been issued or *suo-motu*, after making such enquiry as may be deemed necessary, add to, amend, vary, suspend or cancel such supply card.

There any such card is suspended or cancelled, any person in possession of it shall forthwith deliver the same to Government, the Collector or authorised officer, as the case may be.

**\*6A.** *Power to issue fresh household supply card.*—(1) Whenever deemed necessary, the State Government may issue or cause to be issued fresh household supply cards to any person or class of persons or to the public generally, by cancelling the household supply cards issued under clause 6.

(2) For the purpose of issuing fresh household supply cards, the State Government may, by general or special order issued in that behalf, require the household supply card-holders to surrender the existing household supply cards for the time being held by them to the Collector at the tahsil office or camp office, within the period specified in the order.

(3) The Collector shall issue or cause to be issued supply slips to the persons who have surrendered their household supply cards to Government under sub-clause (2), for enabling them to obtain the supplies of scheduled commodities, from the date of surrender of such supply cards till the issue of fresh household supply cards by Government.

(4) In order to obtain a fresh household supply card, every person holding a supply slip shall apply to the Collector, in the form prescribed under the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Regulation, 1975, supplied or caused to be supplied by the Collector at the tahsil office, or camp office, on payment of 10 paise as an application fee for each form.

(5) The Collector shall, on verification of the household supply cards surrendered under sub-clause (2), collect or cause to be collected the application for new household supply cards from the applicants after making the necessary enquiry.

(6) On making the necessary enquiry fresh household supply card shall be issued to the applicant, in the form and in the manner prescribed under the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Regulation, 1975, valid for all the purposes of this order.\*

**7.** *Drawal as scheduled commodities only by means of supply document.*—Except as otherwise provided by or under this Order, the scheduled commodities shall be purchased from the fair price shops only by means of supply document available for lawful use and only upto the quantity specified or as represented by unit specified on that document.

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\*—\* Inserted *vide* G. O. No. ECA 2382/722/(1248)/D-XXIII, dated 16th August 1982.

**8. Power to make regulations.**—(1) The State Government may make regulations providing for—

(a) the conditions subject to which scheduled commodities may be supplied or obtained for household consumption, for establishment consumption, or in connection therewith, and

(b) in particular—

(i) the forms in which application for obtaining different supply documents may be made, the kinds of supply documents which may be issued for different purposes.

(ii) the manner in which a supply card may be used for supplying or obtaining scheduled commodities, including the manner in which and the conditions subject to which such card may be registered with any fair price shop or authorised establishment.

(iii) the period for which the supply card or part thereof shall be valid.

(iv) the number of units allotted to any person, class of persons or the public generally.

(v) the quantity of scheduled commodities which a unit shall represent and the period during which such quantity shall be available.

(vi) the form of authorisation to be issued under clauses 3 and 4 and the conditions subject to which the fair price shop, authorised establishment or authorised agent may obtain and supply scheduled commodities ; and

(vii) any other matter connected with the distribution of scheduled commodities.

(2) Any regulations made under this clause shall have effect as if they were incorporated in this Order.

**9. Availability of supply card.**—A supply card shall be available for lawful use only—

(a) in respect of household consumption, for the person or persons included therein who is or are living and is or are in the local area for which it is issued ;

(b) in respect of establishments (i) while the person incharge of the establishment is living and is in any such area, and (ii) while the business of the establishment is carried on at the address specified on the supply card.

*Explanation 1.*—The person in-charge of an establishment shall be deemed to be in the local area, if he is not absent therefrom for a period exceeding four weeks at a time.

*Explanation 2.*—The business of the establishment shall be deemed to be carried on, if the establishment is not closed for a period exceeding fifteen days at a time.

*Explanation 3.*—The person in-charge of an establishment shall notify closure of the establishment, if it is closed for a period exceeding fifteen days and shall forthwith surrender the supply card to the issuing authority for cancellation.

**10. Use of spurious card/or unit(s).**—No person shall draw scheduled commodities on a spurious card or against any units which are not valid for the time being.

**11. Supply document to remain property of Government.**—Every supply document issued under this Order shall be the property of the State Government, but the person to whom it is issued or surrendered or with whom it is retained under the provisions of this Order or the regulations made thereunder, shall subject to the other provisions of this Order, be entitled to its custody and be responsible for its custody and lawful use.

**12. Fees for supply cards and other documents supplied by Government and replacement thereof.**—\*Fees shall be charged for supply of documents at the following rates per document :—

	Rs. P.
(i) Household supply card (Whether permanent or temporary) ..	0.50
(ii) Establishment supply card ..	2.00
(iii) Duplicate in place of lost, stolen, torn or defaced household supply card (whether permanent or temporary), ..	2.00

\*—\* Substituted *vide* G. O. No. ECA 2375/2598/XXIII, dated 7th January 1976.

	Rs.
(iv) Duplicate in place of lost, stolen, .. torn or defaced establishment supply card,	5.00
(v) Authorisation to fair price shops ..	5.00
(vi) Authorisation to authorised agents ..	12.00
(vii) Renewal of authorisation of fair .. price shops or authorised agents.	2.00
(viii) Duplicate authorisation of fair price .. shops or authorised agents.	10.00
(ix) Applications in various prescribed .. forms :	0.10 *

Provided that, no such fee shall be charged for the issue of any duplicate supply card, if the Collector or the Officer authorised by him is satisfied that the original card was defaced, lost or destroyed on account of fire, flood or other natural calamity or is required to be produced in a court or for purposes of evidence before any person holding an enquiry or is required to be retained for official correspondence or the duplicate supply card is required to be issued on account of some mistake on the part of the issuing office.

Every person to whom a duplicate supply document has been issued shall, if he subsequently finds the lost document, forthwith return the latter document to the Collector or the Officer authorised by him and that he shall not hold two or more supply cards simultaneously.

**13. Prohibition against transfer or supply document.**—No person shall transfer to any other person a supply document issued to himself, and no person shall use or dispose of or obtain such document, except under and in accordance with the provisions prescribed by or under this Order.

**14. Issue of supply card if person in-charge of establishment is changed.**—In the event of change of person in-charge of an establishment, the Collector or any Officer authorised under sub-clause, (2) of clause 6 may whether at the request of the new person for the time being in-charge of such establishment or *suo-motu*, after making such enquiry as he may think fit, cancel any supply card issued in the name of the person previously in-charge of such establishment and issue a new supply card in place thereof on payment of a fee of Rs. 2 in the name of the new person aforesaid.

\*—\* Substituted *vide* G. O. No. ECA-2375/2598/XXIII, dated the 7th January 1976.

**15.** *Return of supply document by person in unauthorised possession thereof.*—Where any person is in possession of supply document and such possession is not authorised by virtue of this Order, he shall within three days (excluding holidays) deliver the same to the person in respect of whom it is issued or the Officer in-charge of the supply sections in the Collectors or the Tahsil office if such person is residing at the districts headquarters or the tahsil headquarters, as the case may be, and to the concerned talathi if he is residing elsewhere.

**16.** *Cancellation of supply card.*—In any case where any supply card or any entry or Coupon thereon is required to be cancelled under or for the purposes of this Order, it shall not be deemed to be cancelled, unless it shall have been effectively cancelled in ink (whether by means of a die or stamp or otherwise) or by means of indelible pencil, and shall upon such cancellation cease to be available for lawful use.

**\*16-A.** *Cancellation of household supply cards not surrendered under clause 6A.*—Notwithstanding anything contained in clause 16, all the household supply cards not surrendered in accordance with clause 6A shall not be valid for the purposes of this order, and shall be deemed to be cancelled, after the date specified in the order issued under sub-clause (2) of the said clause 6A.\*

**17.** *Prohibition against applying for duplicate supply card etc.*—No person shall—

(a) dishonestly apply for or receive a supply card, if he knows or has reason to believe that his name is already included in any other supply card issued to any household ;

(b) obtain a supply card by furnishing false information ;

(c) without lawful authority, alter or distroy a supply card issued to him.

**18.** *Notice of absence of person in the household for more than four weeks.*—Every holder of a supply card shall notify in writing to the Collector or any Officer authorised by him in this behalf, the absence from the local area of any person or persons in his household included in such card for more than four weeks. The notice shall be given within seven days from the date of expiry of the period of four weeks aforesaid.

\*—\* Inserted vide G. O. No. ECA-2382/722/(1248)/XXIII, dated the 16th August, 1982.

**19. Surrender of supply document and obligation to furnish certain particulars.**—Every fair price shop shall, when so required by an Officer, authorised by the State Government or by Collector in this behalf—

(a) deliver to him all supply cards and other supply documents tendered to him under or for the purpose of this Order; and

(b) furnish such particulars relating to his dealings in any stocks of scheduled commodities as may be required.

**20. Restriction on hoarding of scheduled commodities.**—No person (including fair price shop and authorised establishment) shall draw or cause to be drawn any scheduled commodities on a supply card or document, if the total quantity of such scheduled commodities in his possession exceeds the quantity of such scheduled commodities for the time being obtainable during a period of four weeks on such card or document.

**21. Distribution or acquisition of scheduled commodities otherwise than documents.**—Notwithstanding any provisions of this Order, the distribution or acquisition of scheduled commodities otherwise than on a supply document, whether or not for household consumption or establishment consumption or for the purposes of an establishment other than establishment consumption and subject to such conditions as may be specified, may be authorised by—

(i) Government in respect of scheduled commodities;

(ii) the Collector in respect of any scheduled commodities declared by the local health authorities or by him to be unfit for human consumption, or to meet any unforeseen or ad-hoc demand for supply or any scheduled commodities;

(iii) the Director of Civil Supplies in respect of any scheduled commodities declared by the local health authorities or by him to be unfit for human consumption.

**22. Power to enter premises inspect, search or seize stocks of scheduled commodities, ask questions require productions of documents, etc.**—(1) Any Officer authorised by the State Government or by the Collector or any Police Officer not below the rank of Head Constable, may at all reasonable times inspect any stocks of scheduled commodities



supply documents or books, accounts or other documents pertaining to dealing in scheduled commodities, and may for the purpose of such inspection—

(a) enter any premises—

Provided that, in exercising the power of entry, due regard shall be paid by such officer to the social and religious customs of the occupants of the premises.

(b) ask of any person all necessary questions ;

(c) require the production of any document and take or cause to be taken extracts form or copies of such documents ; and

(d) take or cause to be taken the weight or measure of the scheduled commodities found in the premises.

(2) Every person, when so required by such Officer under sub-clause (1), shall allow access to the premises, answer all questions to the best of his knowledge and belief, produce the documents in his possession and allow extracts form or copies of any such documents or weight or measure or any scheduled commodities found in the premises, to be taken.

(3) Such Officer may in the course of such inspection search for and seize any article in respect of which he has reason to believe that any provision made by or in pursuance of this Order has been or it being contravened.

**23. Power to exempt.**—The State Government may, if it is necessary in the public interest so to do, by order, exempt any person or class of persons from the operation of all or any of the provisions of this Order, for such period and subject to such conditions as may be specified, and may at any time suspend or cancel such exemption.

**24. Power to call for and examine records of proceedings and revise orders.**—If any person is aggrieved by an order passed by the Collector, the Commissioner, and if any person is aggrieved by an order passed by the Commissioner, the State Government, may, on an application made to him or it by the aggrieved person, within thirty days from the date of receipt of such order, stay the enforcement of such order. The Commissioner or the State Government, as the case may be, may also call for and examine the record of any enquiry or proceedings of the concerned Officer exercising or failing to exercise the powers under this Order to add, to amend, vary, suspend or cancel any authorisation issued or deemed to be issued under clause 3 or any supply card issued or deemed to be issued under clause 6 or to forfeit the deposit for any

part deemed thereof paid or deemed to be paid by a fair price shop or authorised agent as security or to take any other action under the provisions prescribed by or under this Order, for the purpose of satisfying himself or itself as to the legality or propriety of the order passed by such officer, and as to the regularity of the proceedings of such officer and may pass such order thereon as he or it, as the case may be, thinks fit :

Provided that State Government may at any time, during the pendency of any enquiry or proceedings or within one year from the date of any order passed by any officer under the provisions prescribed by or under this Order, *suomotu* stay any pending enquiry or proceedings or the enforcement of such order if considered necessary and may call for and examine the record of any such enquiry or proceedings, and pass such order thereon as it thinks fit :

Provided further that, the Commissioner or the State Government, as the case may be, shall not pass any order under this clause which adversely affects any person unless such person has been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard.

**25. Repeal and saving.**—The Maharashtra Scheduled Foodgrains (Regulation of Distribution) Order, 1966, the Regulation framed thereunder and the Maharashtra Scheduled Foodgrains (Regulation of Distribution by Card System) Order, 1968, shall with effect from the date of commencement of this Order, stand repealed, except as respects things done or omitted to be done thereunder before such date.

#### SCHEDULE

[ See sub-clause (j) of clause (2) ]

- I. Foodgrains :—
  - (1) Rice (including \*paddy which is rice in husk),
  - (2) Wheat.
- II. Course Cereals :—
 

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Jowar</li> <li>(2) Bajri</li> <li>(3) Milo</li> </ol>	] Whole or broken or floor products thereof
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- III. Pulses :—
- IV. Levy Sugar.
- V. Edible Oils.

\*Note.—For calculating the quantity of paddy for the purpose of this Order, one and one half quintals of paddy shall be considered as equivalent to one quintal of rice.

\*APPENDIX  
(See clause 2 (b)—(j-1))

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

Temporary Household Supply Card No. ....

The name of the Head of the Household .....

and Full Address .....

Authorised Fair Price Shop No. ....

No. of Adults (1)	No. of children below 6 years (2)	Total Units (3)
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Signature and Designation  
of the Officer.

\*—\* Added *vide* G. O. No. ECA-2382/722/(1248)/XXIII, dated 16th August 1982.

Month	August		September		October		November		December		January	
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Fortnight												
Rice ..												
Wheat ..												
Jowar ..												
Sugar ...												
Edible Oil..												

Month	February		March		April		May		June		July	
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Fortnight												
Rice ..												
Wheat ..												
Jowar ..												
Sugar ..												
Edible Oil..												

By order and in the name of the  
Governor of Maharashtra,

B. K. HALVE,  
Secretary to Government.

\*—\* Added vide G. O. No. ECA-2382/722/(1248)/XXIII, dated 16th August 1982.

FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT  
Sachivalaya Annexe, Bombay-400 032, the 29th December 1976

**ORDER**

**ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES ACT, 1955.**

No. ECA-2176/XXIII.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1), read with clauses (d), (i), (ii) and (j) of sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (X of 1955), and of all other powers enabling the Government of Maharashtra in this behalf, read with the order of the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Food), No. GSR. 316 (E), dated the 20th June 1972 and the Orders of the Government of India, Ministry of Industry and Civil Supplies (Department of Civil Supplies and Co-operation), No. S. O. 681 (E) and S. O. 682 (E), dated the 30th November 1974, the Government of Maharashtra hereby makes the following order to amend the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Order, 1975, namely :—

1. (1) This order may be called the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) (Amendment) Order, 1976.

(2) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Gazette*.

2. In clause 2 of the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Order, 1975 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Order" after sub-clause (c), the following sub-clause shall be inserted, namely :—

(ca) "dealer" means a person engaged in the business of purchase, sale or storage for sale, of one or more scheduled commodities, and includes a person who desires to engage in such business and has applied to the authority concerned to be authorised as a fair price shop.

3. After clause 3 of the said Order, the following clauses shall be inserted, namely :—

**3A.** Order of priority to be followed in issuing authorisations to fair price shops.—(1) While issuing authorisations to fair price

shops under clause 3, the State Government or the Collector, as the case may be, shall, as far as possible, give due regard to the following order of priority, namely :—

1. Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies.
2. Backward Class Co-operative Societies.
3. Freedom fighters' Co-operative Societies.
4. Ex-Servicemen's Co-operative Societies.
5. Women's Co-operative Societies.
6. Other Co-operative Societies.
7. Institutions which are registered under any law for the time being in force.
8. Backward Class persons.
9. Indo-Pak conflict affected persons.
10. Freedom fighters.
11. Ex-Servicemen.
12. Educated unemployed persons.
13. Physically handicapped persons.
- 13A. \*Project affected person.\*
14. Prohibition affected persons.
15. Gold Control Order affected persons.
16. All other persons who do not fall under any of the above classes.

(2) The order of priority to be followed under sub-clause (1) shall be subject to the considerations whether the person to whom the authorisation is to be issued possesses the financial ability, administrative capacity, sufficient manpower and other facilities required for running a fair price shop. For this purpose, the officer concerned shall have power to issue the authorisation, for reasons to be recorded in writing to a person with a lower priority if the person or persons with the higher priority do not, in his opinion, possess the requisite facilities. Among the applicants belonging to the same class also, preference may be given to the person who, in the opinion of the officer concerned, possesses the best facilities referred to above.

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this clause,—

(a) "Multi-purpose Co-operative Society" means a society classified as such under item, No. '8 Resource Society' of Rule 10 of the Maharashtra Co-operative Societies Rules, 1961 ;

(b) " Backward class person " means a person belonging to Scheduled Castes, scheduled Tribes, Nomadic Tribes or Vimukta Jatis or other classes, which are recognised by the State Government as socially and educationally backward classess ;

(c) " Freedom Fighter " means a person who has taken part in the movement for freedom of India and is recognised as such by the State Government ;

(d) " Ex-Serviceman " means a person who was a member of the armed forces of the Union and who is duly retired (which term shall include pre-mature retirement) from service ;

(e) " Indo-Pak conflict affected person " means a person who was killed or disabled in the Indo-Pak conflict in 1971 or a member of his family ;

(f) " Educated unemployed person " means an unemployed person, who has passed the final examination held at the end of the secondary education course by any statutory body recognised by the State Government in this behalf and who has applied for a loan for securing working capital to any Nationalised Bank or whose application for loan or running a fair price shop has been approved by such Bank ;

(g) " Physically handicapped person " means a person who in the opinion of the Collector is orthopadically handicapped i. e. a person who has a physical defect or deformity which causes an interference with the normal funtioning of the bones, muscles and joints ;

(gg) " Project affected person " means a person whose ordinary avocation of life is affected by irrigation or multi-purpose project undertaken by the State Government or by any authority under its control ;

(h) " Prohibition affected person " means a person whose ordinary avocation of life is affected adversely on account of prohibition policy followed by the State Government ;

(i) " Gold Control Order affected person " means a person whose ordinary avocation of life is affected adversely on account of Gold Control policy followed by the Central Government ;

(j) a Co-operative Society shall be deemed to be of any class of persons, if the majority of its members belong to that class, e.g. Backward Class Co-operative Society means a co-operative society of which majority of the members belong to backward classes as defined in this clause.

**3B.** *Existing authorisations to fair price shops to stand cancelled and new authorisations to be issued on basis of order of priority.*— Notwithstanding anything contained in this Order and the regulations made thereunder, all authorisations to fair price shops issued under this Order and in force on the date of commencement of the Maharashtra Scheduled commodities (Regulation of Distribution) (Amendment) Order, 1976 shall be valid upto and inclusive of the 31st day of December 1976 and shall then stand cancelled except as respects anything done or omitted to be done by the fair price shops on or before the said day. Persons whose authorisations stand cancelled shall be along with others eligible to apply for new authorisations. From the 1st January 1977 or as soon as possible thereafter, new authorisations shall, however, be issued having regard to the order of priority prescribed under clause 3A. Although his authorisation may stand cancelled, every fair price shop shall continue to function as a fair price shop authorised under this Order, until he is issued a new authorisation or in his place authorisation is issued to another person or he is directed by the State Government or the Collector to cease to function as a fair price shop.

By order and in the name of the  
Governor of Maharashtra,

B. K. HALVE,  
Secretary to Government.

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**THE MAHARASHTRA SCHEDULED COMMODITIES  
(REGULATION OF DISTRIBUTION) REGULATION, 1975**

FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT

Sachivalaya Annexe, Bombay-400 032, dated 26th September 1975.

*(Corrected upto 31st March 1995)*

No. ECA-2475/2598(a)-II.—In pursuance of clause 8 of the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Order, 1975 and of all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Government of Maharashtra hereby makes the following regulations, namely.—

1. *Short title and extent.*—(1) These Regulations may be called the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Regulations, 1975.

(2) They extend to the areas, in which the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Order, 1975, is in force.

2. *Definitions.*—In these regulations unless the context otherwise requires :—

(a) "Form" means a form appended to these regulations ;

\*(a-1) "Fortnight" means each of the periods from 1st day to 15th day or from 16th day to the last day of a calendar month (all days inclusive)\* ;

(b) "Local area" means any municipal Corporation area a municipal area under a municipal council, a cantonment area, a village panchayat area, or any other part of zilla parishad area, where the concerned supply card holder or any member of his family normally resides ;

(c) "Week" in the first instance means each of the periods from 1st day to 7th day, from 8th day to 15th day, from 16th day to 23rd day and from 24th day to last day of a month (all days inclusive) ; but from such date (being a Sunday) as may be notified by the Collector for any area means the period commencing from that Sunday and ending at Midnight of Saturday next following, and each successive period of seven days thereafter ;

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\*—\*Inserted *vide* Government order No. SAVIVYA-1086/232/(CR-4698)/XXVIII, dated 10th September 1986.

(d) "Scheduled Commodities Order" or "Order" means the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation and Distribution) Order, 1975 :

(e) Words and expressions used in the Scheduled Commodities Order and also in these regulations, but not defined in these regulations, shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Scheduled Commodities Order.

**3. Procedure for obtaining Supply Card.**—(1) Any head of household residing or intending to reside in a local area, to whom a supply card is not issued or whose name is not included in any such card or who desires to have a supply card issued for himself and members of his household (if any) who are also without any such supply card, may apply to the Collector within the limits of whose jurisdiction he resides or intends to reside and furnish true and correct information in Form I. Where any such person resides or intends to reside temporarily in a local area for a period less than six months, he may likewise make the application to the said Collector in Form I, after specifying the exact number of days during which he will reside in to the local area. Application for renewal of a supply card shall be made in Forms 1-A and 1-B.

(2) For obtaining supplies of scheduled commodities for the purpose of an establishment, a person incharge of the establishment, may apply for a supply card to the Collector within the limits of whose jurisdiction the establishment is situated and furnish true and correct information in Form II.

**4. Issue of Supply Cards.**—On receipt of application, a Supply Card may be issued in Form III, Form IV or Form V, as the case may be, after necessary verification.

**5. With whom Supply Card may be registered.**—(1) A holder of a Supply Card shall register his card at such fair price shop as may be directed by the Collector.

(2) The Collector may, from time to time, redistribute the units amongst the fair price shops in a given locality with due regard to the viability of such shops and convenience of the Supply Card holders.

(3) If, as a result of the action taken by the Collector under sub-regulations (1) and (2) above, some of the existing fair price shops in a given locality are rendered surplus, it shall be open to the Collector,

after giving a reasonable notice, to cancel the authorisations of such surplus fair price shops without assigning any reasons, according to the priority list to be specified by Government for the cancellation of such shops.

(4) The Collector may direct the fair price shop to change the location of the shop as per his direction. If the concerned shopkeeper fails to change the location of his shop as directed it shall be open to the Collector to cancel his authorisation.

6. (1) *Condition for obtaining supplies.*—No person shall obtain scheduled commodities on his supply card, unless he.—

(a) signs or puts his thumb impression in the space provided for that purpose on the supply card ;

(b) gets himself registered for obtaining his supply of scheduled commodities with a fair price shop ;

(c) resides in the local area for which the card is issued and is not absent from that local area for a period of the consecutive weeks or more, and he may obtain scheduled commodities only for such other persons included in the card who are not absent from that local area for a period of two consecutive weeks or more ;

(d) complies with any other directions which the Collector may issue from time to time in this behalf .

(2) The foodgrains distribution or supply cards at present operative in the local area shall be deemed to be supply cards under these regulations till they are replaced by the new supply cards.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in this clause, the State Government may, from time to time, direct that persons belonging to certain categories such as those paying particular amount of land revenue per year or having monthly income exceeding certain limit shall not be entitled to obtain any Scheduled Commodity or Commodities, on their supply cards during such period or periods as may be specified by it. When any such direction is issued, the Collector shall enter or cause to be entered on the blank embossed sheet attached to their supply cards, the Scheduled Commodity or Commodities and the period for which the said Commodities shall not be obtainable on such cards.

7. *Period of validity of supply card.*—A supply card shall be valid for the period specified thereon, unless otherwise directed by the Collector. On an application made by the holder before the expiry of such period in such form as the Collector may require, the Collector may, from time to time, validate the supply card for a further specified period.
8. *Number of Units allotted.*—Every supply card issued to a household shall show the number of units allotted to it, at the rate of two units for each member of the household of the age of six years and, above and one unit for each member thereof of the age below six years.
9. *Quantity of scheduled commodities represented by unit.*—A unit shall represent such quantity of such scheduled commodities for such period as the Collector may notify, from time to time.
10. *Form of authority.*—The form of authority for purchase of scheduled commodities from Government godowns or from any other agency appointed by Government shall be in form VI.
11. *Form of authorisation.*—(1) The authorisation to be issued under clause 3 of the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Order, 1975, (hereinafter referred to as "the said Order"), to a fair price shop and the conditions subject to which such shop may obtain and supply scheduled commodities shall be in Form VII.
- (2) The authorisation to be issued under clause 3 of the said Order to an authorised agent and the conditions subject to which such agent may obtain, store and deliver Scheduled Commodities shall be as in Form VII-A.
12. *Forms of letter appointment of agent and of revocation of such appointment.*—(1) The letter of appointment of an agent by any fair price shop under the Explanation to sub-clause (a) of clause 2 of the said Order shall be as in Form VII-B.
- (2) The revocation of the appointment of such agent shall be made in Form VII-C.
13. *Procedure for increasing units on the supply card.*—Any person to whom supply card is issued and who desires to increase the number of units on his card on account of increase in the number of

members of his household or by reason of a child becoming entitled to two units, may apply to the Collector, within the limits of whose jurisdiction he resides and furnish true and correct information in Form VIII.

**14. Procedure for reducing units on the supply card.**—Any person to whom a supply card is issued shall, for reducing the number of units on his supply card on account of departure of any member of his household from the local area or by reason of death of any member thereof, apply in that behalf to the Collector within the limits of whose jurisdiction he resides and furnish true and correct information in Form IX, within a period of two months.

**15. Prohibition to obtain household Supply Card by Armed Services Personnel.**—No person shall obtain a household Supply Card for himself or any member of his household, if he is receiving Scheduled Commodities for himself or such member, as the case may be, from any Naval, Military or Air Force authority or any other Government agency.

**NOTE.**—Such service personnel on leave and residing in any local area for which such cards are issued, who are not drawing Scheduled Commodities from such authority during the leave period, shall be entitled to obtain temporary Supply Card on application to the Officer concerned.

**16. Application for change of address and obtaining a duplicate Supply Card.**—(1) In case of change of address, the holder of a card shall apply in form X to the Collector within the limits of Supply/ jurisdiction he resides.

(2) If a Supply Card be lost, stolen, torn or defaced, for obtaining a fresh Card, the holder shall apply in Form XI to the Collector within the limits of whose jurisdiction he resides.

**17. Verification of applications.**—On receipt of any application under these regulations, the Collector may make or cause to be made such inquiry as he deems fit, for verification of the information as furnished by the applicant.

**18. Further Conditions to be observed by Fair Price Shop.**—\*(1) Every fair price shop shall, unless exempted by the State Government or the Collector, deposit with the Government a sum as indicated below in cash or in National Savings Certificates as security deposit for the due performance of the authorisation issued to him,—

(A) fair price shop in any Municipal Corporation area Rs. 3,000.

(B) fair price shop in Urban area other than the Municipal Corporation area Rs. 2,000.

(C) fair price shop in Rural area Rs. 1,000 :

Provided that for the fair price shop run by the Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe or Nomadic Tribe person or by the Co-operative Society, the amount of deposit shall be 50 per cent of the above amounts.\*

\*(1-A)\* Every fair price shop shall purchase such stocks of Scheduled Commodities as may be released in its favour for distribution and sale at such rates, as may be fixed by the Central Government or by the State Government with the prior concurrence of the Central Government, on receipt of an indent from such shop and against payment of the cost thereof in the manner prescribed by the Collector.

NOTE.—Every fair price shop shall indent for only such quantities of scheduled commodities as may be required for distribution to consumers for a period of two weeks at a time on the basis of maximum obtainable in relation to the quantum fixed by Government or the Collector and the number of cards registered and unit thereon, less backlog quantity available in stock purchased during the preceding period of two weeks. On receipt of indent from a fair price shop, the Collector or any other officer authorised by him shall, after verification of indent, issue or cause to be issued supply authority in Form VI for purchase of stocks of Scheduled Commodities specified therein from Government godowns for from any other agency appointed by Government.

(2) Every fair price shop shall,—

(a) be held responsible for all the acts of commission and Omission of his partners, agents, servants and other persons who are allowed to work in the shop :

\*—\*Inserted and renumbered vide Govt. Order No. SAVIVYA-1092/2467/CR-6526/XXVIII. dated 7th June 1993.

(b) not sell Scheduled Commodities specified in the Schedule appended to the said order obtained from sources other than Government godown or any agency appointed by Government or the Collector, and except under and in accordance with the conditions (if any) of a special permission granted by the State Government, the Collector or any officer authorised by the State Government or Collector, from time to time ;

(c) always maintain adequate stocks of scheduled commodities ;

(d) take adequate measures to ensure that the scheduled commodities stored by him are maintained in good condition and that damage to them due to ground moisture, rain, insects, rodents, birds, fire and such other causes is avoided. Suitable dunnage shall be used where necessary to avoid damage from ground moisture. Fertilisers, insecticides and poisonous chemicals likely to contaminate shall not be stored alongwith the Scheduled Commodities in the same godown or shop or in immediate Juxtaposition of such Commodities. It shall further be ensured that at the time of sale, the said commodities are in good condition ;

\*(d-1) make good the loss of the scheduled commodities due to any theft, misappropriation, hypothecation or any other similar contingency by remitting the amount of equivalent quantity of lost scheduled commodity or commodities at retail rates, as the case may be, from the security deposit credited by him, as the Government or the Collector of the District may direct, and shall pay the remaining amount as " arrears of land revenue " in case the value of the commodity or commodities lost due to theft, misappropriation etc. is less than the amount of security deposit. Then the Government or the Collector of the district will supply to the concerned Fair Price Shops, equivalent quantity from Government godowns of any other source, as the case may be, for sale, over and above the quantum of the current months only to those who could not get their quota because of theft, misappropriation etc. done by the fair price shop.\*

(e) display a board in Marathi showing its authorised number, name and address of the shop, retail prices of scheduled commodities, time of working, and the address of the Government Officer within

\*—\*Inserted *vide* Government Order No. PDS-1085/3469/(CR-4599)/CS-XXVIII, dated the 25th March 1986.

the jurisdiction of which the shop is conducted. Another board in Marathi of the size 45 x 60 centimeters, with red letters indicating " F. P. S. No. " on white background shall also be displayed ;

(f) display the authorisation issued under clause 3 of the said Order ;

(g) maintain on the premises of the shop, true and proper accounts with regard to the receipt, distribution and sale of scheduled commodities, together with all the supporting vouchers and other papers particularly the following books and registers duly certified in the form prescribed by the State Government or the Collector :—

(i) Visit Book ;

(ii) Instructions Book (for instructions of general type by Inspector and other Inspecting Officials) ;

(iii) Register of Cards ;

(iv) File of Godown Bills ;

(v) File of Copies of Indents ;

(vi) Stock Book ;

(vii) Cash Memo Book ;

(viii) Sales Book ;

(ix) Complaint Book ;

+ (x) Register of Foodgrains coupons under the food for work programme or similar other programmes.+

(h) sell scheduled commodities to the persons holding household or establishment supply cards issued by the Government on production of such cards according to the quantum and at the prices fixed by the Government.

+ (h-1) Sell foodgrains to the persons holding " foodgrains coupons under the food for work programme or similar other programme " on production of said coupons according to the quantity mentioned thereon without charging any price therefor, which he shall get reimbursed from the Collector or any other officer authorised by him for the purpose.+

+—+Inserted vide Govt. Order No. ECA-2478/990 (737)-XXIII, dated 31st July 1980.



\* (i) record, at the time of issue of Scheduled Commodities actual quantity of each commodity issued to the cardholders in the appropriate column of the Supply Card representing a fortnight and issue a cash memo in Marathi in Form XII of the size of 10 × 6 centimeters whether demanded or not, mentioning distinctly the particulars of the retail rates, the quantity of Scheduled Commodities supplied and the price charged therefor.

*Note.*—In case where commodity issued to the cardholder is not mentioned in the Supply Card, blank-space provided in the card should be utilised for mentioning the name of such commodity.\*

(j) sign in full on the reverse of the first and last cash memo every day in the morning and evening, as also on the first and the last cash memo of every cash memo book used during the day ;

(k) submit periodically abstract of Register of Cards and fortnightly return of sales, together with the indent in such form as the Collector may require ;

(l) obey and carry out all such instructions as may be given by the Collector or any other Officer authorised by the Government, from time to time.

(3) Every fair price shop shall be liable for departmental action, or prosecution, or both as the case may be, for the contravention of the provisions of the said Order, and the regulations made thereunder or of any instructions, directions or Orders issued under any such provisions.

(4) No fair price shop, shall, without reasonable cause, stop the working of the shop abruptly or allow the shop to remain closed during working hours on any working day without the prior approval of the Collector.

(5) Every fair price shop intending to stop the business of supplying scheduled commodities shall give 30 days previous notice to the Collector to enable him to make alternate arrangements for supplying scheduled commodities to the household and establishment supply Card-holders allotted to the shop.

\*—\*Substituted *vide* Government Order No. SAVIVYA-1086/232/-CR-4698/XXVIII, dated 10th September 1986.

**19. Further conditions to be observed by authorised agent.**—(1) Every authorised agent shall purchase such stocks of scheduled commodities as may be released in his favour for delivery to his constituent fair price shops at such rates, as may be fixed by the Central Government, or by the State Government, with the prior concurrence of the Central Government, on receipt of a consolidated indent from such agent and against payment of the cost thereof in the manner prescribed by the Collector.

*Note.*—Every authorised agent shall submit a consolidated indent ; within two days (excluding holidays) from receipt of indents from his constituent fair price shops for such quantities of scheduled commodities as may be required by his constituent fair price shops for distribution to the consumers. On receipt of the consolidated indent from any authorised agent, the Collector or may other Officer authorised by him shall after verification of the consolidated indent, issue or cause to be issued supply authority in Form VI for purchase of stocks of scheduled commodities specified therein from Government godown or from any other agency appointed by Government.

(2) Every authorised agent shall—

(a) on taking delivery of scheduled commodities as aforesaid, distribute them to his constituent fair price shops for whom they are earmarked within twenty-four hours of actually taking delivery from the godowns at the prices fixed by the Central Government, or by the State Government with the prior concurrence of the Central Government.

\*(aa) make good the loss of the scheduled commodities due to any theft, misappropriation, hypothecation or any other similar contingency by remitting the amount of equivalent quantity of lost scheduled commodity or commodities at retail rates, as the case may be, from the security deposit credited by him, at Government or the Collector of the district may direct and shall pay the remaining amount as "arrears of land revenue" in case the value of the commodity or commodities lost due to theft, misappropriation etc. is less than the amount of security deposit. Then the Government or the Collector of the District shall supply to the concerned fair price shop, equivalent quantity from the Government godowns or any other source, as the case may be, for further sale to the cardholders at the existing retail rates and the quantum fixed by the Government

\*—\*Inserted *vide* Government Order No. PDS-1085/3469/(CR-4599)/CS-XXVIII, dated the 25th March 1986.

or the Collector of the District over and above the quantum fixed for the current month.\*

(b) display at his office the authorisation issued under clause 3 of the said Order ;

(c) maintain in his office true and proper accounts with regard to the receipt and distribution of Scheduled Commodities to his constituent fair price shops together with all the supporting vouchers and other papers, particularly the following books and registers duly certified in the form that may be prescribed by the State Government or the Collector, from time to time.

(i) Visit Book ;

(ii) Instruction Book (for instructions of general type by officers not lower in rank than that of Inspector) ;

(iii) File of Challans in respect of deliveries of scheduled commodities to constituent fair price shops ;

(iv) File of copies of Indents ;

(v) Stock Book (including account of delivery, orderwise distribution of stocks).

(d) submit periodically such return and reports in connection with purchase and distribution of scheduled commodities to his constituents in such form as the Collector may require ;

(e) be held responsible for all the acts of commission and omission of his office bearers, partners, agents, representative, servants and other persons who are allowed by him to work in connection with the purchase and distribution of scheduled commodities and to maintain accounts relating to all such transactions.

(3) Except under and in accordance with the conditions (if any) of a special permission granted by the Collector, no authorised agent shall sell scheduled commodities obtained from source other than Government Godown or any agency appointed by Government.

(4) Every authorised agent shall be liable for departmental action or prosecution, or both, as the case may be, for the contravention of the provisions of the said Order and these regulations or of any instructions, directions or Orders issued under any such provisions.

(5) Every authorised agent intending to stop the work of distribution of scheduled commodities shall not resort to sudden closure of his business or activities, but shall give 90 days previous notice to the Collector to enable him to make alternate arrangements for supplying scheduled commodities to the fair price shops.

## FORM I.

[Vide Regulation 3 (1)]

\*Local Area . . . . . Code No. . . . .

Serial No. . . . . Registration No. . . . .

**APPLICATION FOR HOUSEHOLD SUPPLY CARD**

(To be filled in by the Head of Household)

*Warnings :*

1. Any false statement made and known to be such would be punishable.
2. The Card is liable to be cancelled if any information given in the application is found to be incorrect.
3. If full details are not furnished in the form it will not be accepted.

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I. Applicant's name in full (in Block Capital letters and beginning with surname).

Age

II. Full Address

Name of the building (if any)

Municipal House No. /Plot No. /Survey No.

Flat/Room No. Floor No. Name of the Road/

By-Road/By-Lane Village Postal District

III. Name(s) of the person(s) other than the applicant who normally reside(s) with the applicant as member(s) of the Household (excluding domestic servant).	Relation-ship with the applicant	Age	Occupation	Period of intended stay in local area	Whether heavy manual labourer
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1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....
5. ....
6. ....
7. ....
8. ....

IV. Applicant's Occupation (in detail). If the head of family or any one or more members of his family is/are Heavy Manual Labourers the name(s) and address(es) of all such persons with the names and full address(es) of their employers to be given.

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....

(Attach a slip if necessary).

- V. (a) State whether the applicant and/or any members of his family to be included in the household supply card, pay any land revenue and, if so, state the total amount of land revenue so paid, per year,  
 (b) State the monthly income of the applicant and the members of his family to be included the household supply card together.
- VI. I declare that I do not possess a Household or Establishment Supply Card nor have I separately applied for a Supply Card, that none of the persons in (iii) above been included in any applications for a Supply Card or for any Established Card and that all the above statements are to the best of my knowledge and belief correct.
- VII. I shall allow enquiry to be made with respect to the contents of this application and with respect to the card for which I have applied. I know that such a card is Government property and I shall surrender it when demanded by the Collector or any other officer empowered by him.

Date .....

Signature of applicant.

FORM—1

Counterfoil

*(Preserve this carefully, otherwise issuing Card may be delayed)*

\*Local area

Code No.  
Registration No.

Serial No.

Name of the applicant .....

To be produced on .....

Date .....

For Collector.

\*Here mention the local area.

Inspector's verification remarks : Code No. is correct.

Verified all items ..... Contacted  
 Shri .....  
 included in the application and also neighbourer Shri .....  
 ..... holding Card No. ....  
 of Code No. .... Shop No. .... and found correct.  
 Please issue card for ..... adults and .....  
 children (Total Units ..... ).

Date .....

Inspector

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Orders of the Authorised Officer

Date : .....

Authorised Officer

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Serial No. of Supply Card issued.—

Units sanctioned . .....

Whether land revenue tax payer or a person belonging to the Income  
 Groups not entitled to the drawal of foodgrains on Card.

Received the above Card on .....

Signature of applicant.

Additions and alterations.

I hereby authorise Shri .....  
 included in the application to receive the card on my behalf.

Date : .....

Signature of applicant.

## FORM 1-A

[ See Regulation 3 (1) ]

Ten Paise

FPS. No.

Application for Renewal of Household Supply Card under Regulation 3 (1) of the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities (Regulation of Distribution) Regulations, 1975.

(To be filled in by the Head of Household)

Name ..... Age .....

(In Block Capital Letters beginning with surname)

Card No.

F. P. S. No.

Reference No.

Units

2. Name of the Building

House No./Plot No.

Flat/Room No.

Floor.

Name of the Road/By Road/By Lane

Village.

Postal District

3. Names of the persons who are already included in the Supply Card and who continue to reside with me at the address given above.

Name	Relationship with the applicant	Age	Occupation

(Attach a list if necessary)



4-(A). Names of the persons desired to be reduced from the Supply Card.

Name	Relationship with the applicant	Reasons for reduction

4-(B). Names of the persons residing with me at the address given above but who are not included in any supply card.

Name	Age	Relationship with the applicant	Reasons for increase

5. Applicant's occupation (in detail)

6. I declare that none of the persons mentioned in para 3 above is included in any other supply card or in any application for such card and that all the above statements are true.

7. I shall allow enquiry to be made in respect of this application and the concerned card, I know that the supply card is Government property and I shall surrender it when demanded by any officer empowered by the Collector.

Date : .....

Signature/Thumb impression  
of applicant.

(For office use only)

Name of the Inspector .....

Verified and found correct .....

Reduction from ..... Units to ..... units is carried out  
Increase ..... Foodgrains Inspector,  
Received permanent supply card duly renewed.

Date ..... Signature of applicant.

## FORM I-B

[ See Regulation 3\*( )\*(1) ]

## Index/Record Slip

Code No.

1. Permanent/Temporary Supply Card S. No. ....

Adults ..... Children ..... Units.

2. F. P. S. No. .... Ref. No. ....

3. Name of the Card holder :

4. Address of Cardholder :

Signature of Foodgrains Inspector who collected the slip.

Name :—

Signature of Card holder.

\*—\*Word "10 paise" deleted vide Government Resolution No. ECA-2477/422(540)/XXIII, dated 20th April 1978.

## FORM II

[ Vide Regulation 3 (2) ]

Local Area\*

Ten Paise

Establishment

Code No. ....

Registration No. ....

## APPLICATION FOR ESTABLISHMENT SUPPLY CARD

*(To be filled in by the Manager or owner or person-in-charge of  
Establishment)*

- Warnings.**—(1) Any false statement made and known to be such would be punishable.
- (2) The Card is liable to be cancelled if any information given in the application is found to be incorrect.
- (3) If full details are not furnished in the form it will not be accepted.

I. Applicant's full name .....  
(In block capital letters and beginning with surname)

..... Age .....

II. (a) Name of the Establishment .....

(b) Description of .....

Establishment, i. e. Eating House, Bhatyarkhana, Rice Plate Shop, Restaurant, Idli Dosa Shop, Puri Paratha Shop, Tea Shop, Residential Establishment, School/College Hostel, Mess, Orphanage, Residential Hotel, Running Restaurant, General Hospital, T. B. Hospital, Maternity Home, Industrial Canteen serving meals and/or snacks, etc.

(Strike off whatever are not applicable.)

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\*Here mention the local area.

## III. Full Address :—

Name of the Building (if any) . . . . .  
 Municipal House No./Plot No./Survey No. . . . .  
 Flat/Room No. . . . . Floor No. . . . . Name of the  
 Road/by Raod/ by Lane . . . . .  
 Village. . . . . Taluka . . . . . Postal District . . . . .

IV. Name and address of person-in-charge . . . . .

V. Name and No. of the Municipal and Police Licences held . . . . .

VI. (a) Number of permanent residents in the Establishment  
 (excluding servants) . . . . .

(b) Average No. of servants for last three months including Baharwala  
 . . . . .

(c) Number of casual visitors . . . . .

VII. Names of preparations normally available in the establishment  
 prepared out of cereals and non-cereals.

VIII. Monthly average of foodgrains and other Schedule Commodities  
 purchased during last three months.

IX. Name and address of wholesaler or retail dealer from whom or  
 mill or manufacturing establishment from which supplies of foodgrains  
 and other Scheduled Commodities were obtained . . . . .

X. Quantity of each foodgrains and other Scheduled Commodities  
 required for the Establishment for four weeks (in terms of Quintals and  
 Kilograms)

(1) Rice . . . . .

(2) Wheat . . . . .

(3) . . . . .

(4) . . . . .

(5) . . . . .

XI. I declare that I do not possess an Establishment Supply Card nor have I separately applied for it and that names of the persons in VI (a) and (b) above has been included in any application for any Household Foodgrains Card or for any Establishment Supply Card and that all the above statements are to be best of my knowledge and belief, correct.

XII. I shall allow enquiry to be made with respect to the contents of this application and with respect to the Card for which I have applied. I know that such a Card is Government property and I shall surrender it when demanded by the Collector or any other officer empowered by him.

Date : .....

Signature of Applicant.



FORM II  
(Counterfoil)

Local Area\*

*(Preserve this carefully ; otherwise issue of Card may be delayed)*

Code No. ....

Registration No. ....

Serial No. ....

Name of the applicant .....

To be produced on ..... for the Establishment  
Supply Card.

Date : .....

.....  
For Collector.

\*Here mention the local area.

Inspector's verification remarks.—Verified all items, checked Code. Seen Muster Roll, Account Books, all Licences.

Contacted Shri . . . . .

Please sanction units based on . . . . . residents  
. . . . . servants.

Date : . . . . . Inspector.

Orders of the Authorised Officer:—

Date . . . . .  
Issuing Officer/Authority.

Serial Number of Establishment Supply Card issued . . . . .  
Units sanctioned . . . . .  
Received the above Card on . . . . .  
Signature of applicant . . . . .

Additions and alternations:—

I hereby authorise Shri . . . . .  
a member of my Establishment to receive the Card on my behalf.

Date : . . . . .  
Signature or left hand  
thumb impression of applicant.

## FORM III

\*Fifty paise for original

\*Two rupees for duplicate

[ *Vide* Regulation 4 of the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities  
(Regulation of Distribution) Regulation, 1975 ]

**Household Supply Card**

Valid upto . . . . .

*Category.*—(a) Paying land revenue of Rs. . . . . per annum ;  
(b) Having monthly income of Rs. . . . .

**Government of Maharashtra**

Collector of †Local area

**HOUSEHOLD SUPPLY CARD**

Area :

Application No. . . . .

Serial No. . . . .

Code No. . . . .

Head of Household . . . . .

Age . . . . .

Full address . . . . .

. . . . .

. . . . .

Signature or left hand thumb impression  
of the Head of Household

No. of Units	Signature of the Issuing Officer	No. of Units	Signature of the Issuing Officer

\*Words " Fifty paise " and " Two rupees " substituted *vide* G. O. No. ECA 2475—XXIII, dated 7th January 1976.

†Here mention the name of the local area.

Date of Issue . . . . .

Signature of the Issuing Officer

Collector of \*Local Area

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

B. K. HALVE,

Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra,  
Food and Civil Supplies Department.

Blank embossed sheet for enabling the Collector to enter the names of the Scheduled Commodities and the period for which they shall not be obtainable on this card, in accordance with the directions issued by the State Government from time to time, in this behalf.



## Scheduled Commodities

## \*FORTNIGHTS\*

Year	1986											
	January		February		March		April		May		June	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy sugar												
Edible oils												
Jowar												

Year	1986											
	July		August		September		October		November		December	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy sugar												
Edible oils												
Jowar												

\*—\*\* Fortnights \* form substituted *vide* G. O. No. SAVIVYA-1086/232/CR-4698/XXVIII, dated 10th September 1986.









*Renewal Verification*

Date (1)	Name and designation of the Officer (2)	Signature (3)

Name and address of Fair Price Shop (1)	Authorised Fair Price Shop No. (2)	Reference No. (3)	Date of Registration (4)	Signature of Authorised Fair Price Shopkeeper (5)

*Name of the Persons included in this Card*

Serial No. (1)	Name (2)	Age (3)	Relation-ship (4)	Additional quota if any (6)	Initials of Issuing Officer (7)
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					

## FORM IV

@Fifty paise for Original

@Two rupees for Duplicate

[ *Vide* Regulation 4 of the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities  
(Regulation of Distribution) Regulations, 1975 ]**GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA***Temporary Household Supply Card*

Serial No. of application. . . . .

Card Sr. No.

Code No. . . . .

Head of Household . . . . .

. . . . . Age . . . . .

Full address . . . . .

. . . . .

Signature or thumb

impression of Cardholder . . . . .

No. of Units	Signature of the Issuing authority	No. of Units	Signature of the Issuing Authority

Date of Issue . . . . .

Issuing Authority.

Collector of \*Local Area

\*Here mention the name of the local area.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

(Sd.) × × ×

Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra,  
Food and Civil Supplies Department.

## Scheduled Commodities

\*FORTNIGHTS\*

Year	1986											
Month	January		February		March		April		May		June	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy sugar												
Edible oils												
Jowar												

Year	1986											
Month	July		August		September		October		November		December	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy sugar												
Edible oils												
Jowar												

\*—\*\* Fortnights \* form substituted vide G. O. No. SAVIVYA-1086/232/CR-4698/XXVIII, dated 10th September 1986.



**NAME OF PERSONS INCLUDED IN THIS CARD**

Serial No. (1)	Name (2)	Age (3)	Relationship (4)	Additional quota if any (5)	Initials of Issuing Authority (6)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					
11					
12					
13					
14					
15					

Name and Address of Authorized Fair Price Shop  (1)	Authorized Fair Price Shop No.  (2)	Reference No.  (3)	Date of Registration  (4)	Signature of Authorized Fair Price Shopkeeper  (5)

Valid from . . . to . . .

Signature of Issuing  
Authority

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

## FORM V

Rupees two for Original  
\*Rupees five for duplicate

Regulation—

[ *Vide* Clause 4 of the Maharashtra Scheduled Commodities  
(Regulation of Distribution) Regulations, 1975 ]

## GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

*Establishment Supply Card*

Collector of †Local Area

**Establishment Supply Card**

Serial No. . . . .

Application No. . . . .

Code No. . . . .

Name of Establishment. . . . .

Full Address . . . . .

Description of the Establishment . . . . .

Date of Issue . . . . .

Signature of Issuing Authority

†Collector of Local Area

By order and in the name of the  
Governor of Maharashtra,

B. K. HALVE,

Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra,  
Food and Civil Supplies Department.

\*Words 'Rupees five' substituted *vide* G. O. No. ECA-2475/XXIII, dated 7th January  
1976.

†Here mention name of the local area.

## Scheduled Commodities

## \*FORTNIGHTS\*

Year	1986											
Month	January		February		March		April		May		June	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

Year	1986											
Month	July		August		September		October		November		December	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

\*—\*\* Fortnight Form\* substituted *vide* G. O. No. Savivya-1086/232/(CR-4698)/XXVIII, dated 10th September 1986.

## Scheduled Commodities

## \*FORTNIGHTS\*

Year	1987											
Month	January		February		March		April		May		June	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

Year	1987											
Month	July		August		September		October		November		December	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

\*—\*\* Fortnight Form" substituted vide G. O. No. Savivya-1086/232/(CR-4698)/XXVIII. dated 10th September 1986.

## Scheduled Commodities

## \*FORTNIGHTS\*

Year	1988											
Month	January		February		March		April		May		June	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

Year	1988											
Month	July		August		September		October		November		December	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

\*—\*\* Fortnight Form\* substituted vide G. O. No. Savivya-1086/232/(CR-4698)/XXVIII, dated 10th September 1986.

## Scheduled Commodities

## \*FORTNIGHTS\*

Year	1989											
	January		February		March		April		May		June	
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

Year	1989											
	July		August		September		October		November		December	
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

\*—\*“Fortnight Form” substituted *vide* G. O. No. Savivya-1086/232/(CR-4698)/XXVIII, dated 10th September 1986.

## Scheduled Commodities

## \*FORTNIGHTS\*

Year	1990											
	January		February		March		April		May		June	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

Year	1990											
	July		August		September		October		November		December	
Fortnight	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Rice												
Wheat												
Levy Sugar												
Edible Oils												
Jowar												

\*"Fortnight Form" substituted vide G. O. No. Savivya-1086/232/(CR-4698)/XXVIII, dated 10th September 1986.



*Renewal/Verification*

Date (1)	Name and Designation of the Officer (2)	Signature (3)

Name of the Authorised Fair Price Shop and No. (1)	Reference No. (2)	Date of Registration (3)	Signature of the Authorised Fair Price Shop (4)

575

UNITS SANCTIONED

Permanent Resident (1)	No. of Servants (2)	Casual Visitors (3)	Total Units (4)	Signature of Issuing Authority (5)

UNITS SANCTIONED

Permanent Resident Boarders (1)	No. of Servants (2)	Casual Visitors (3)	Total Units (4)	Signature of Issuing Authority (5)

**Form VI***(Vide Regulation 10 of Regulation)*

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

**Supply Authority valid for one week from the date of issue***(for office)*

Indent No. IDT .....

Date .....

Name .....

Fair Price Shop No. ....

is authorised to purchase.—

Quintals

Kgs.

Wheat .. .. .

Rice .. .. .

Levy Sugar .. .. .

Other Scheduled Commodities .. .. .

Collector .. .. .

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