

F.No.23(5)/2015-Comp.(E:323743)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution  
Department of Food & Public Distribution

\*\*\*\*\*

R No 275, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

Dated: 10.02.2021

To,  
Principle Secretary / Secretary,  
Food & Civil Supplies Department,  
**All States/UTs** (except Chandigarh and Puducherry)

**Subject: Integration of electronic weighing scale with ePoS devices at all FPS – reg.**

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware under Public Distribution System (PDS) reforms, the use technology for transparent distribution of subsidized foodgrains to all beneficiaries is always encouraged by this Department. In this regard, since the span of PDS operations is already computerized in almost all States/UTs, including the installation of ePoS devices at the Fair Price Shops (FPSs), this Department vide an earlier letter of even no. dated 24/07/2020 had advised for enhancing the use of technology driven facilities in FPS operations, including the integration of the electronic weighing scales with the ePoS devices for enhancing the transparency in the foodgrains distribution by the FPS dealers.

2. To enhance the accuracy in the delivery of subsidized foodgrains to the beneficiaries, in terms of correct weighment and to electronically capture the transacted quantity on the ePoS receipts, some States/UTs have started the integration of electronic weighing scales with ePoS devices (as per list attached). However, some States/UTs are yet to initiate the adoption of this technology driven feature at their FPSs.

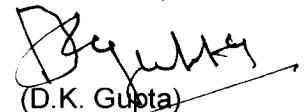
3. In the absence of a technology driven mechanism to record the actual weighment of foodgrains at the time of distribution, the FPS dealers while using manual / disintegrated scales are likely to continue indulging in malpractices of under-weighment of beneficiary entitlements, creating scope for pilferage of subsidized foodgrains,

4. It is, therefore, all concerned States/UTs are requested to take earnest action for the integration of electronic weighing scales with the ePoS devcies in all FPSs and share their action plans with this Department by 22<sup>nd</sup> **February 2021**. The States/UTs already having such facilities available in all/some of FPSs are also requested to share their experiences and relevant details with this Department through email at [cpmu.fpd@nic.in](mailto:cpmu.fpd@nic.in) or [dk.gupta73@gov.in](mailto:dk.gupta73@gov.in) for the benefit of other States/UTs at the earliest.

5. For any technical support/clarification, if required, States/UTs may seek support from the central NIC and CPMU team of this Department.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,



(D.K. Gupta)

Director (PD)

Tel: 011-23070429

**Copy to:**

1. Shri BVC Rao, Dy. Director General, NIC HQ, New Delhi.

**Annexure****State/UT wise integration status of electronic weighing scales with ePoS devices at FPSs:**

<b>Sl.</b>	<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Availability of Electronic Weighing Machines</b>
1	Andaman & Nicobar	No
2	Andhra Pradesh	Yes
3	Arunachal Pradesh	-
4	Assam	-
5	Bihar	No
6	Chandigarh (DBT)	NA
7	Chhattisgarh	No
8	DNH and Daman & Diu	-
9	Delhi	-
10	Goa	No
11	Gujarat	No
12	Haryana	No
13	Himachal Pradesh	<b>Available on 50% FPSs but not connected with ePoS</b>
14	Jammu and Kashmir	<b>Yes, but not connected with ePoS</b>
15	Jharkhand	-
16	Karnataka	<b>Yes, but not connected with ePoS</b>
17	Kerala	No
18	Ladakh	-
19	Lakshadweep	-
20	Madhya Pradesh	<b>Yes, but not connected with ePoS</b>
21	Maharashtra	No
22	Manipur	No
23	Meghalaya	-
24	Mizoram	-
25	Nagaland	-
26	Odisha	Yes
27	Puducherry (DBT)	NA
28	Punjab	Yes
29	Rajasthan	No
30	Sikkim	<b>Yes, but not connected with ePoS</b>
31	Tamil Nadu	<b>Yes, but not connected with ePoS</b>
32	Telangana	Yes
33	Tripura	<b>Yes, but not connected with ePoS</b>
34	Uttar Pradesh	No
35	Uttarakhand	No
36	West Bengal	-

Note: States/UTs may share latest status i.r.o. above with DFPD for updation of above information.