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During my visit to Dugong Creek on 22nd and 23rd July, 1998, the Onges Chief, Shri Tambole, requested for additional quantity of rice as the 5 Kg that is being presently issued per head is inadequate.

The matter was discussed with the Director of Civil Supplies today. He said that under the Public Distribution System, every adult in A & N Islands at present gets 6 Kg of rice per month. He also informed that special permit could be issued to tribals for additional quantity of rice.

Under the scheme 'supply of free ration to the Primitive Tribes', 5 Kg rice and 9 Kg wheat flour is supplied by the AAJVS. The Onges and Andamanese have been informing us that this 5 Kg rice is inadequate and they are unable to get the additional quantity of rice at their own settlement since the same is not made available.

Therefore, we can request the Administration to issue special permit for Onges and Andamanese at the rate of 10 Kg per adult member and half the same per child. This additional quantity of rice can be purchased by the Onges and Andamanese through their Multipurpose Cooperative Societies.

If approved, we may send a U.O. note to the Administration in the above lines. A draft U.O. note is placed opposite for perusal and approval.

*(Signature)*

(S.A.Awaradi)  
Director (TW)

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Secretary (TW)

When was the criteria of 5 Kg. fixed? 10 Kg. of Rice may be much more (quantity) than exactly required & should be assessed properly and as per suggestion of medical / nutrition expert. 2. What would be qty of wheat in case qty of rice increases? 100-150

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*(Signature)*  
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