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IV. **Enhancement of quota of rice** under APL category (91460 families/ration cards) – The A&N Administration has reduced scale of rations under APL category to 5 kg. of rice per adult per month since September 2008 due to short allocation of food grains and receipt. Scale of distribution of rice for APL category is 8 kg per head per month in Pondicherry & Lakshadweep and 16 kg per head per month in Mizoram. Scale of distribution of rice, therefore, is around 20-22 kg per family whereas the allocation in accordance with Ministry of Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution should be @ 35 kg per family per month.

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Dir (CS)

The assessment of total allocation of food grains @ 35 kg per family per month is assessed based on an accepted Planning Commission figure of 81000 families as per estimate of 2000; whereas the identified number of cardholders under APL, BPL and AAY categories are 108205 families, thereby indicating a shortfall for 27205 cardholders in the total allocation of food grains.

The APL families have been considered for allocation of wheat as food grain whereas the consumers in A&N Islands are largely rice eaters.

Demand :

1. The quota of allocation of rice be enhanced to 8 kg/head/month.
2. Total allocation of food grain be increased in accordance with the number of issued APL/BPL/AAY ration cards.
3. All APL/BPL/AAY ration card holders be given quota of rice in place of wheat.

V. **Construction of Cricket stadium of international standard in/near Port Blair.**

Pr. Secy (SAC)
Dir (SAC)

Cricket is exceedingly growing as a most popular sport activity amongst the youth of A&N Islands, so much so that the A&N Cricket Association successfully conducts cricket tournaments at regional and state levels, and local commercial organisations are sponsoring annual premier leagues. The existing Netaji Stadium is a multipurpose stadium used for sports activities as well as state/national level functions.

Demand – A cricket stadium of international standard be constructed in a good locality like land available at Goodwill estate enroute to Carbyns' cove, lying unused for the last 30-40 years.