

Offtake of foodgrains from the central pool

5.43 The offtake of foodgrains from the central pool at 265.7 lakh tonnes during April-November 2005 was marginally higher by 1.50 lakh tonnes over the corresponding period of 2004-05. The offtake under Antyodaya (AAY) at 45.16 lakh tonnes during April-November, 2005 was higher by almost one third over the

corresponding period of 2004. Open market sales witnessed marginal increase of 2.05 lakh tonnes and the offtake under above the poverty line (APL) category increased by 10 lakh tonnes. During April-November, 2005, the offtake of foodgrains under below the poverty line (BPL) category was, however, lower by 16 lakh tonnes (13.6 per cent) (Table 5.16).

Table 5.16 : Offtake of foodgrains from central pool

(lakh tonnes)

Schemes	Foodgrains (Rice+Wheat)						April –November	
	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2004-05	2005-06
TPDS of which	170.76	120.42	138.36	203.40	241.94	295.72	188.47	194.60
BPL	69.95	96.53	100.52	137.24	158.04	173.81	114.22	98.64
APL	100.82	23.65	21.06	30.78	42.24	67.28	40.79	50.80
Antyodaya	–	0.24	16.78	35.39	41.65	54.63	33.46	45.16
Welfare schemes	14.26	31.93	71.84	113.80	135.00	106.09	64.76	67.71
Open market sale	45.51	14.88	55.98	56.61	13.30	2.47	1.35	3.40
Export	–	14.86	46.84	124.64	103.08	9.66	9.67	0.00
Total	230.53	182.08	313.02	498.45	493.32	413.94	264.25	265.71

Source : Department of Food and Public Distribution.