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CONCLUSION.
Public Distribution System in Akola district serves to the ration card holders through 1197 Fair Price Shops in working condition out of total number of 1245 Fair Price Shops. Fair Price Shops in rural and urban areas of districts serves the ration card holders as per the Essential Commodities Act 1955 and Act 1981, later amended by amendment order 1989.

Uptill 1981, administration of Public Distribution System was done through six tehsils in Akola District. District Supply Officer and Tehsil Food Officer were facing many problems to administer distribution of essential commodities through Fair Price Shops, because of the heavy work load and heavy turnover of essential commodities. Akola district had large area and very big population, six tehsils under it were difficult to administer and therefore splitting these six tehsil in more number of tehsil became urgent and essential. During Abdul Rehman Antulay Chief Ministership in 1981 these six tehsil were re-organised in thirteen tehsil by Government of Maharashtra Act Ren 2005/CR-107-M-10. Re-organisation of tehsils totally modified district administration, this has affected in smooth functioning of Government machinery. Public Distribution System also overalled and district Supply Officer has thirteen Tehsil Food Officer instead of six Tehsil Food Officer, this reflected in Smooth functioning of Public Distribution System throughout Akola District. Due to lessening of work-load of Tehsil Food Officer and his Sub-Ordinates they carried out their
duties, efficiently. This reorganisation of tehsils has given an opportunity to District Supply Officer and Tehsil Food Officers to overcome the backlog of establishing one Fair Price Shop in covering distance of every five Km. or 1 Fair Price Shop for 2,000 ration card holders. Supply of average 10 Kg. of food grain per unit through Fair Price Shops was achieved. This achievement has opened new avenues for the District Public Distribution System to turn their attention for the upliftment of the Adivasi region. Lifeline of Public Distribution System in Akola District is land-ways. National highway, state highway, and District highways are used to transport the essential commodities from the main Food Corporation of India, Godown Akola, and tehsil headquarters. Many roads linking remote and interior villages are closed during rainy season, most of the times these remote and interior villages are cut off from the District and Tehsil Headquarters due to heavy flood. This cutting off situation disrupts the continuous supply of foodgrains from Food Corporation of India Godowns. This does mean that Public Distribution System is depended on other system in Akola district. Accounting and Auditing is another subject matter which creates confusion because most of Fair Price Shops owners don't know or do not keep accounts of their purchase and sale as per the Government directions. Therefore it is problematic to come to the conclusion from their accounts, hence supply of essential commodities from Food Corporation of India godowns is
taken for turnover of essential commodities. This study indicates that the turnover of essential commodities is almost double to that of when Akola district was merged in the State of Maharashtra. This means the workload of Public Distribution System in Akola district is doubled and district administration carried out this responsibility, efficiently and served people of this district as per the welfare scheme implemented by the Government of India.

Problem of non-availability or short supply of essential commodities to the Fair Price Shops, missmanagement, hoarding, black marketing or other related problem are sorted out by the district administration; whenever these problems are not within their powers or whenever their authority is challenged these problems are placed before the judiciary, special course are established or special arrangement is made to deal with these cases and punish the offenders.

India's democracy, socialism and its development is mainly based on the principle of the 'Welfare State'. The core of welfare state is feeding the population as per their need with maintaining stability of the essential commodities through out the year is achieved through the services of the Public Distribution System. Public Distribution System and its agencies serve the people, almost efficiently and sincerely. The cases of missmanagement and malpractices are to be treated
exceptional and therefore the utility of Fair Price Shop cannot be neglected and their services to the people of India are to be applauded. In this thesis while presenting 'An Economic Study of the Fair Price Shops in the Akola District', the utility and the benefit of the customer from Fair Price Shops are evaluated. It is found that Fair Price Shops in the Akola District serve the people of District to the best of their capabilities and government machinery helped them in this regard are satisfactory. Public Distribution System, Akola District ever expanded and develop as per the growth of the population, thus the fulfilled their obligation and duty toward the people of Akola District, and at large citizen of India.
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Questionnaire For The Consumer.

**BLOCK - I.**

**GENERAL INFORMATION.**

1) Name of the Head of the Family :-
2) Address :-
3) Religion :-
4) Caste :-
5) Occupation :-
6) Education :-
7) Monthly Expenditure :-

**BLOCK - II.**

8) **INFORMATION RELATING TO EACH MEMBER OF THE FAMILY.**

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9) Total number of Persons in the family

   Sex
   i) Male
   ii) Female

Grand Total

10) Details of each member of the family

   i) Name
   ii) Relation to the Head of the family
   iii) Sex
   iv) Age
   V) Education
   vi) Occupation
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SECTION - II.

Supply of the Foodgrains.

1) Which varieties of foodgrain are available for sale to the customer?
2) How much foodgrain is supplied from the Food Corporation of India Godowns?
3) Have you appointed any servant for the Fair Price Shop?
4) What are the rates of foodgrains?
5) What is the percentage of sales?
6) Do you sell the goods on and cash basis or credit basis?
7) On what occasions do you need additional foodgrains.
8) Is there any help from the Fair Price Shops Association?

9) What are in your opinion advantages or disadvantages of the present Public Distribution System?

10) When do you purchase foodgrain?

11) How much stock do you normally keep in your shop.

12) What is the nature of complaints by the customers?

13) Whether any dispute has arisen with the customer after sale of foodgrain. If so, how it was settled?

14) How much investment is required for running a shop of your own size?

15) What are the modes of transportation and why you prefer it.

16) What is your selling price of foodgrains?

(Wheat, Rice, Jowar, Sugar and Edible Oil)

17) What are your suggestions for making Public Distribution System more efficient.

18) Is there any loss incurred after the short supply of item/foodgrains?

19) Amount received from the empty bags and tins etc.

20) What is the rental charges of your Fair Price Shop.

21) If you are the sale owner of the Fair Price Shop. How much will be the rental charge for the Fair Price Shops.

22) What is the expenditure on Electricity Bill and transportation charges?

23) What is the maintenance of your Fair Price Shops?