



**Government of Jammu and Kashmir**  
**Department of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs**  
**Civil Sectt. J&K Srinagar.**

**Sub: - Policy for opening of Fair Price Shops under Targeted Public Distribution (Control) Order, 2015.**

**Govt. Order No: -127 -FCS&CA of 2016**  
**D A T E D :- 04-08-2016**

In supersession of all the previous Government Orders/Circulars /instructions regarding the subject cited above, sanction is hereby accorded to the formulation of Revised Norms/guidelines as given in Annexure to this order, regarding opening of Fair Price Shops on Commission basis for distribution of PDS Ration / sugar and other items.

**By Order of the Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir.**

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**Special Secretary to Government,**  
**Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer**  
**Affairs Department.**

**No. CAPD/Food/FPS/2003/2010**

**Dated:- 04-08-2016**

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**Annexure to Government Order No. 127- FCS&CA of 2016 Dated:-04-08-2016**


( Guidelines for opening of new fair price shops )

**A) Opening of New Fair Price Shops:-**

- (i) New Fair Price Shop shall be opened for every 250 RT's. However existing Fair Price Shop holder will retain more RTs if there is no feasibility of opening second Fair Price. Shop i.e there can be upto 499 RTs with a FP Shop.
- (ii) Rationees should have F.P.Shop/ Govt. Sale Depots within radius of 1.5 to 2km from their residence subject to having 250 RTs to be bifurcated.
- (iii) Location of the F.P.Shop shall not be changed by the F.P.S holder without the written permission of concerned Assistant Director.
- (iv) New FPS will be opened for every 200-250 families but if in a Revenue Village, if there are lesser families opening of new FPS will not be a constraints, however in case of hilly/inaccessible area opening of FPS can be for lesser number of families also.

**B) Selection of salesman for running Fair Price Shop:-**

- (i) He/she should be a permanent resident of J&K.
- (ii) He/she should be local youth of the village/area.
- (iii) He/she should have minimum qualification of matriculation and not more than 10+2. The qualification may be relaxed by Competent Authority, in case of deserving category/candidates.



- (iv) He/she should furnish surety/ Bank guarantee equal to cost of 3 months ration
- (v) No blood relation of employees of Department of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs will be considered for grant of F.P.S license.
- (vi) Only one person in the family will be considered for grant of F.P.S License.
- (vii) Applicant for F.P.S License should be unemployed, local educated youth between the age of 18 years to 37 years having good character certified by Gazetted Officer.
- (viii) Residents of the village should pass resolution in favour of the F.P.S applicant.
- (ix) F.P.S applicant should have account in J&K Bank with cash balance equal to the cost of at least 3 months ration.
- (x) That the applicant should have not been convicted of any heinous offence particularly any offence relating to Essential Commodities Act. Or any other Act dealing with essential commodities.

**C) Maintenance of Shops/Records:-**

- (i) He/she should have his/her own or rented shop / Store for storing of at least 3 months ration.
- (ii) He/she should display a Board in the shop to display rates; scale of PDS ration/ Sugar and the telephone numbers of Director, Asstt. Director/ TSO and Toll Free numbers for grievance redressal.
- (iii) He/she must maintain Receipt, Issue and Balance Register duly machine numbered, which should be made available for inspection to the authorities.



- (iv) He/she should install Electronic weighing scale at his F.P. Shop.
- (v) F.P. Shop will be kept in a separate shop having only one entry/shutter and it should not be run from the residential house.
- (vi) F.P. S owners shall not be allowed to keep any other commodities other than Rice, Wheat/Atta and Sugar, which will be of PDS supplies only or as may be allowed by Competent Authority.
- (vii) The Dealer will maintain proper and accurate records of PHH,NPHH & AAY Rationees attached with him/her indicating the details of souls as well.
- (viii) That the food grains to the FPS Holders shall be released only on pre- payment basis after submission of utilization certificates as prescribed to avoid shortages and embezzlements.
- (ix) Before release of food grains for a particular month the concerned TSO/Supervisor shall certify that the previous ration has been issued amongst the bonafide consumers only and exhausted in full.

**D) Issuance/Renewal of licences:-**

- (i) The Administrative Department will be licensing authority and License will be valid for 2 years. The concerned Assistant. Director will be renewing authority. Fee for fresh license will be Rs. 2500/- and Rs.2000/- as renewal fee.
- (ii) In case of death of License, his license can be transferred to his legal heir subject to fulfillment of norms of grant of F.P.S. License .



- (iii) His/her FPS License will be renewed after every two years subject to proper performance of responsibilities of ration Dealer and food and Account Audit by the C.A.

**E) Penalty:-**

- (i) In Case F.P.S holder is found indulging in black marketing, overcharging, under scaling or some case is established against him/her after proper enquiry, penalty to the tune of double the market cost of food grains embezzled / Black marketed will be recovered from him/her for the first offence. For second such offence his license will be cancelled.
- (ii) Overcharging, under scaling, adulteration and diversion etc will constitute offences under Essential Commodities Act and other relevant provisions of the law.

**F) How to Apply:-**

- (I) The desirous candidates can apply to the Competent Authority in the prescribed form.
- (II) The candidate shall attach all the relevant documents as envisaged in the policy with the application.

