

HP BOARD OF DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION FOR OTHER
GAZETTED OFFICERS/OFFICIALS OF HIMACHAL PRADESH

NOV-2019

PAPER-3 FOOD, CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS MAXIMUM MARKS: 100

NOTE: 1. QUESTION NO. 1 IS COMPULSORY.

2. ATTEMPT FIVE QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY
EQUAL MARKS.

3. BARE ACTS, RULES AND ORDERS ARE ALLOWED.

Q.1 Give the detail of various commodities being distributed under
TPDS and state subsidy scheme to various categories along with
the scale and prices of these commodities. What was the rationale
behind launching the state subsidy scheme?

(20 Marks.)

Q.2 Fair price shop is an important part of the Public Distribution
System. Justify this statement. Explain the process of opening of a
new fair price shop with special mention on the priority order for
allotment of FPS.

(20 Marks.)

Q.3 (a) Write brief note on ePDS. How the existing Public
Distribution System has changed after introduction of it.

(b) How the PoS machines have made the Public Distribution
System more transparent ? Give detailed account of sale module
through Pos devices.

(10 x 2=20)

Q.4 Write notes on

- 1) Digital Ration Cards
- 2) Biometric Authentication at FPS
- 3) Public Distribution Committee
- 4) ePDS HP Mobile App
- 5) Himachal Grihini Suvidha Yojana

(4 x 5=20)

Q.5 Who is a consumer? What are the right and responsibilities of a consumer? Discuss the composition of District consumer forum in light of consumer protection Act, 1986.

(20 Marks.)

- Q.6 (a) What is the procedure to obtain a Ration Card ?
(b) How change could be made in digital Ration Card ?
(c) What are the advantages of having a digital Ration card vis-a-vis old Ration card

(6+7+7=20)

Q.7 Consumer Protection Act , 1986 is an important tool to protect the interests of the Consumer-Elaborate. Discuss the role of District forum in redressal of Consumers' complaints. As a consumer you need to approach a consumer Court for a claim of Rs.20 lacs. Which Consumer forum will you reach?

(20 Marks.)

Q.8 Describe the roles of following agencies in TPDS.

- 1.) HPSCSC.
- 2.) FCI.
- 3.) Co-Operative Sector.
- 4.) Local bodies.
- 5.) Authorized Wholesalers

(4 x 5=20)

Q.9 Write detailed note on inspection of whole sale Godowns and Fair price shop. What aspects must be kept in mind while conducting the inspections? Elaborate in detail.

(20 Marks.)

