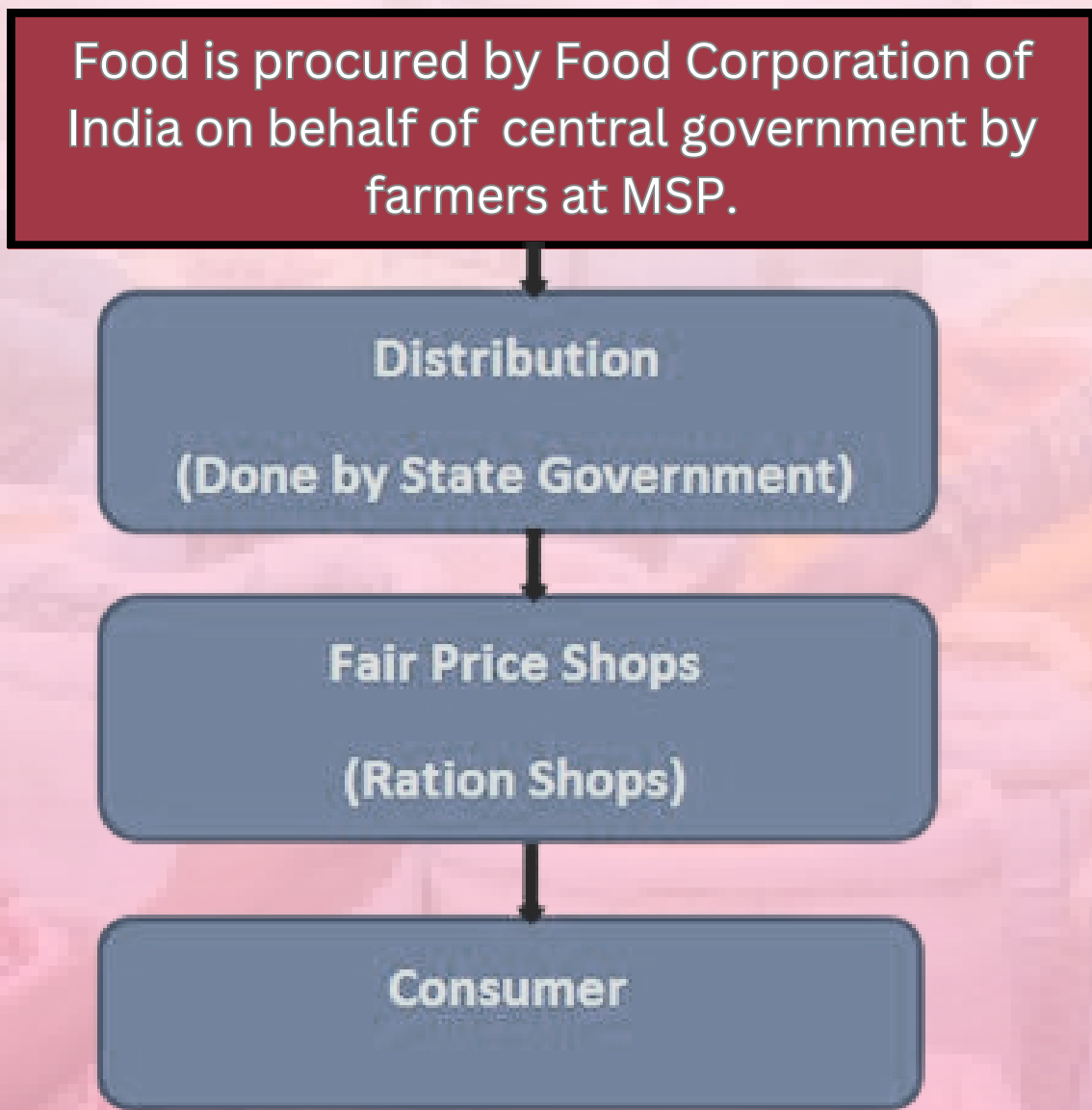




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Public Distribution System

Public Distribution System (PDS) is a system that actively works on food security aspects to provide food through ration shops at affordable prices.



The Public Distribution System (PDS) provides nearly 800 million people with subsidized grain through a network of over half a million fair price shops.

Highlights

- With a focus on the underprivileged, the Indian government initiated the Targeted Public Distribution System in June 1997.
- PDS helps to stabilize food prices and providing food to consumers at reasonable costs
- Under the PDS, commodities such as rice, sugar, wheat and kerosene are allocated to the states and Union Territories for distribution
- Under the PDS, each family in the below poverty line is eligible for 35kg of wheat and rice every month.
- However, families above the poverty line can get 15kg of food grain monthly with a card.

