

CM INAUGURATES DISTRIBUTION OF COCONUTS UNDER GOVT INITIATIVE TO CONTROL PRICE RISE

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The Chief Minister, Shri Manohar Parrikar today, distributed coconuts at the Goa State Horticultural Ltd. outlet in Altinho. While speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that this was an initiative aimed at making it convenient for the people to buy coconuts at affordable rates.

The Chairperson of the Goa State Horticultural, Shri Pravin Zantye said that the scheme was being implemented on a no profit, no loss basis.

Former Panaji MLA, Shri Sidharth Kuncalienker told the gathering that the coconuts were being sourced directly from farm to the market from where the Government was buying from the farm and making them available to the people at affordable rates. "It is our endeavour to protect Goan staple food," he said adding that was a "good initiative in the interest of all Goenkars."

Shri Jayesh Salgaonkar, Minister for Housing and Rural Development was also present on the occasion.

Shri Madhav Kelkar, Managing Director, Goa Horticultural Corporation, said that the "This sale of coconuts was being done under the scheme of Government Intervention to Control Price Rise."

Under the scheme, 15 coconuts per family will be made available once in 15 days. Customers will have to produce gas consumer card to avail of the benefit. Customers are to approach Goa State Horticultural outlets in their jurisdiction only.