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## State has adequate stock of essential commodities including petroleum products

A few local dailies have reported that some parts of the national highway NH-8 at Atharamura has become unfit for traffic due to heavy rains, and there may be a shortage of petroleum products and other daily necessities in the state. The related news has come to the attention of the state government. In this regard, Director of Food, Public Supply and Consumer Affairs of the state government has informed the people of the state in a press release that the communication system of the state by rail is completely normal at present. On 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2022, Dharmanagar depot and various agencies in the state had a total of 2061 kilolitres of petrol and 2330 kilolitres of diesel in stock. Moreover, on 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2022, 303 kilolitres of petrol and 321 kilolitres of diesel were dispatched from Dharmanagar depot which are currently en route. Overall the state has a total of 2364 kilolitres of petrol and 2651 kilolitres of diesel to meet the demand for the next 9-10 days. On the other hand, there are adequate stocks of other daily commodities including potatoes and onions.

According to the latest news, traffic on the national highway has been fully restored from afternoon of 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2022. Therefore, the state government has requested the people, not to panic in the emerging situation and refrain from buying extra items out of apprehension

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