

Jharkhand Government lifts VAT from Foodgrains



- The advisory council to the Governor decided to exempt foodgrain from VAT for a period effective from April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010.
- Putting an end to the ongoing protest of traders, the council decided that there would be no tax on potato, onion, wheat, maida, and suji.
- VAT was imposed in foodstuff in the state for the first time during this financial year. The move had triggered widespread protest among traders.
- In view of the rising protest by traders, the Governor had assured to reconsider the imposition of VAT on food grains.
- However, the move was delayed as the model code of conduct was in effect during the Lok Sabha elections.