

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1972
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH MARCH, 2026

ONE NATION ONE RATION CARD

1972 # SHRI MADAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution be pleased to state:

- (a): the number of beneficiaries under the One Nation One Ration Card;
- (b): the number of ration card holders in Rajasthan;
- (c): the increase in food grain storage capacity in Rajasthan;
- (d): whether the digital ration distribution system is in place in Rajasthan; and
- (e): the new initiatives taken to ensure food security in Rajasthan?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS,
FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRIMATI NIMUBEN JAYANTIBHAI BAMBHANIYA)

(a): The One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) is a technology-driven initiative of the Department of Food and Public Distribution that enables nationwide portability of ration cards for beneficiaries covered under the National Food Security Act (NFSA). The system allows eligible beneficiaries, particularly migrant workers and other mobile populations, to lift their entitled foodgrains from any Fair Price Shop (FPS) in the country through Aadhaar-based biometric authentication using ePoS devices. At present, ONORC has been successfully implemented across all 36 States and Union Territories, covering about 80 crore NFSA beneficiaries (100% of the NFSA population). Accordingly, the ONORC facility is now automatically available to all PMGKAY beneficiaries across the country.

(b): At present, there are 1.08 crore Ration Card holders in Rajasthan.

(c): **As on 01.02.2016**, the total covered storage capacity available with FCI (owned and hired) was 337.91 LMT. In addition, State Agencies had covered storage capacity of 306.08 LMT for storage of foodgrains. Further, FCI was utilizing 26.11 LMT of owned CAP capacity and 141.29 LMT of CAP capacity with State Agencies for storage of Central Pool foodgrains. State-wise details are at **Annexure-I**.

As on 01.02.2026, the total covered storage capacity available with FCI (owned and hired) has increased to 470.67 LMT. Besides, State Agencies have covered storage capacity of 381.92 LMT. Further, FCI is utilizing 12.55 LMT of owned CAP capacity and 80.70 LMT of CAP capacity with State Agencies in the Regions of Haryana, Punjab and Rajasthan for storage of Central Pool foodgrains. State-wise details are at **Annexure-II**.

(d) & (e): To ensure food security in Rajasthan, key initiatives include 100% digitization of ration cards/beneficiary databases, Aadhaar seeding of over 97.6% ration cards, and automation of about 27,194 (99.7%) Fair Price Shops (FPSs) with electronic Point of Sale (ePoS) devices enabling biometric authentication for transparent distribution.

Storage Capacity with FCI and State Govt.Agencies as on 31.01.2016

Annexure-I

Zone	Sl. No.	State	Total Storage Capacity with FCI (Owned/Hired)						Total Storage Capacity with State Agencies including SWCs (excluding capacities given to FCI) for storage of foodgrains		(Figures in LMT) Grand Total	
			Covered		CAP		Total		State Agencies		Covered	CAP
			Owned	Hired	Owned	Hired	Covered	CAP	Covered	CAP		
EAST	1	BIHAR	3.66	2.64	1.00	0.00	6.30	1.00	7.85	-	14.15	1.00
	2	JHARKHAND	0.67	1.66	0.05	0.00	2.33	0.05	-	-	2.33	0.05
	3	ORISSA	3.12	2.39	0.00	0.00	5.51	-	6.16	-	11.67	-
	4	WEST BENGAL	8.50	1.22	0.51	0.00	9.72	0.51	6.49	-	16.21	0.51
N.E.	5	ASSAM	2.70	1.02	0.00	0.00	3.72	-	2.27	-	5.99	-
	6	ARUNACHAL PD	0.18	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.22	-	0.01	-	0.23	-
	7	MEGHALAYA	0.14	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.30	-	-	-	0.30	-
	8	MIZORAM	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.25	-	0.42	-	0.67	-
	9	TRIPURA	0.29	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.36	-	0.48	-	0.84	-
	10	MANIPUR	0.28	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.32	-	-	-	0.32	-
	11	NAGALAND	0.21	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.34	-	0.11	-	0.45	-
NORTH	12	DELHI	3.36	0.00	0.31	0.00	3.36	0.31	-	-	3.36	0.31
	13	HARYANA	7.68	42.32	3.33	0.00	50.00	3.33	30.14	25.97	80.14	29.30
	14	HIMACHAL PD.	0.19	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.49	-	-	-	0.49	-
	15	J & K	1.03	1.37	0.10	0.00	2.40	0.10	-	-	2.40	0.10
	16	PUNJAB	22.24	78.92	7.31	0.09	101.16	7.40	42.42	100.44	143.58	107.84
	17	RAJASTHAN	7.06	10.36	1.85	0.00	17.42	1.85	2.73	0.19	20.15	2.04
	18	UTTAR PRADESH	14.95	29.97	5.19	0.00	44.92	5.19	14.12	-	59.04	5.19
	19	UTTARAKHAND	0.66	1.01	0.21	0.00	1.67	0.21	1.86	-	3.53	0.21
SOUTH	20	ANDHRA PRADESH	7.36	3.72	1.60	0.00	11.08	1.60	12.75	-	23.83	1.60
	21	TELANGANA	5.37	3.02	1.02	0.00	8.39	1.02	12.33	-	20.72	1.02
	22	KERALA	5.29	0.05	0.21	0.00	5.34	0.21	0.34	-	5.68	0.21
	23	KARNATAKA	3.81	3.70	1.36	0.00	7.51	1.36	20.36	0.41	27.87	1.77
	24	TAMIL NADU	6.24	4.90	0.31	0.00	11.14	0.31	5.71	-	16.85	0.31
WEST	25	GUJARAT	5.00	1.90	0.27	0.00	6.90	0.27	2.06	-	8.96	0.27
	26	MAHARASHTRA	8.85	10.68	1.02	0.00	19.53	1.02	11.18	-	30.91	1.02
	27	GOA	0.15	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.20	-	-	-	0.20	-
	28	MADHYA PRADESH	3.37	0.05	0.36	0.00	3.42	0.36	111.60	14.28	115.02	14.64
	29	CHHATTISGARH	5.12	3.49	0.01	0.00	8.61	0.01	15.41	-	24.02	0.01
Total			127.73	205.18	26.02	0.09	332.91	26.11	306.80	141.29	639.71	167.40

Central Pool Storage Capacity with FCI and State Govt.Agencies as on 01.02.2026

Annexure-II

(Figures in LMT)

Zone	S No.	Region/U.T.	Total Storage Capacity with FCI (Owned/Hired) (Covered & CAP)					Total (Owned+Hired)	Total Storage Capacity with State Agencies including SWCs (excluding capacities given to FCI) for storage of foodgrains			Grand Total			
			Covered		CAP		Total		Cov.& CAP	State Agencies			Cov.	CAP	Cov. & CAP
			Owned	Hired	Owned	Hired	Cov.			CAP	Total				
EAST	1	BIHAR	3.45	10.41	0.00	0.00	13.86	0.00	13.86	10.13	0.00	10.13	23.99	0.00	23.99
	2	JHARKHAND	1.08	3.47	0.00	0.00	4.56	0.00	4.56	2.25	0	2.25	6.81	0.00	6.81
	3	ORISSA	3.65	3.13	0.00	0.00	6.78	0.00	6.78	5.44	0	5.44	12.22	0.00	12.22
	4	WEST BENGAL	9.53	1.47	0.00	0.00	11.00	0.00	11.00	10.06	0	10.06	21.07	0.00	21.07
	5	SIKKIM	0.11	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.00	0.11	0.13	0	0.13	0.24	0.00	0.24
Total East Zone			17.82	18.49	0.00	0.00	36.31	0.00	36.31	28.01	0.00	28.01	64.32	0.00	64.32
N.E.	6	ASSAM	3.82	1.57	0.00	0.00	5.39	0.00	5.39	0.00	0	0.00	5.39	0.00	5.39
	7	ARUNACHAL PD	0.41	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.00	0.45	0.00	0	0.00	0.45	0.00	0.45
	8	MEGHALAYA	0.20	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.44	0.00	0.44	0.00	0	0.00	0.44	0.00	0.44
	9	MIZORAM	0.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.32	0.00	0.32	0.41	0	0.41	0.73	0.00	0.73
	10	TRIPURA	0.44	0.19	0.00	0.00	0.62	0.00	0.62	0.64	0	0.64	1.27	0.00	1.27
	11	MANIPUR	0.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.65	0.00	0	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.65
	12	NAGALAND	0.42	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.57	0.00	0.57	0.08	0	0.08	0.65	0.00	0.65
Total North East Zone			6.25	2.19	0.00	0.00	8.44	0.00	8.44	1.13	0.00	1.13	9.57	0.00	9.57
NORTH	13	DELHI	3.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.28	0.00	3.28	0.00	0	0.00	3.28	0.00	3.28
	14	HARYANA	8.75	52.66	2.88	0.00	61.41	2.88	64.29	46.70	18.69	65.39	108.11	21.57	129.68
	15	HIMACHAL PD.	0.27	0.74	0.00	0.00	1.01	0.00	1.01	0.00	0	0.00	1.01	0.00	1.01
	16	J & K	0.95	1.70	0.00	0.00	2.65	0.00	2.65	0.00	0	0.00	2.65	0.00	2.65
	17	LADAKH	0.25	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.38	0.00	0.38	0.00	0	0.00	0.38	0.00	0.38
	18	PUNJAB	27.19	122.10	3.31	5.76	149.29	9.07	158.36	27.07	62.01	89.08	176.36	71.08	247.44
	19	CHANDIGARH	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.09	0.00	0	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.09
	20	RAJASTHAN	8.42	12.02	0.60	0.00	20.44	0.60	21.04	0.00	0	0.00	20.44	0.60	21.04
	21	UTTAR PRADESH	15.48	40.06	0.00	0.00	55.54	0.00	55.54	0.00	0	0.00	55.54	0.00	55.54
	22	UTTARAKHAND	0.83	1.19	0.00	0.00	2.03	0.00	2.03	1.88	0	1.88	3.91	0.00	3.91
Total North Zone			65.41	230.70	6.79	5.76	296.11	12.55	308.66	75.65	80.70	156.35	371.76	93.25	465.01
SOUTH	23	ANDHRA PRADESH	8.64	7.72	0.00	0.00	16.36	0.00	16.36	11.46	0	11.46	27.82	0.00	27.82
	24	ANDMAN NIKOBAR	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.07	0.16	0	0.16	0.23	0.00	0.23
	25	TELANGANA	6.68	16.32	0.00	0.00	23.00	0.00	23.00	7.10	0	7.10	30.10	0.00	30.10
	26	KERALA	5.88	0.13	0.00	0.00	6.01	0.00	6.01	1.84	0	1.84	7.85	0.00	7.85
	27	KARNATAKA	4.61	5.76	0.00	0.00	10.37	0.00	10.37	30.93	0	30.93	41.30	0.00	41.30
	28	LAKSHDWEEP	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.00	0	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03
	29	TAMIL NADU	6.46	6.40	0.00	0.00	12.86	0.00	12.86	17.66	0	17.66	30.52	0.00	30.52
	30	PUDDUCHERI	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.51	0.00	0.51	0.00	0	0.00	0.51	0.00	0.51
Total South Zone			32.87	36.34	0.00	0.00	69.21	0.00	69.21	69.15	0.00	69.15	138.36	0.00	138.36
WEST	31	GUJARAT	4.93	4.56	0.00	0.00	9.48	0.00	9.48	0.58	0	0.58	10.06	0.00	10.06
	32	DADAR NAGAR HAVELI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	33	MAHARASHTRA	9.23	9.76	0.00	0.00	18.99	0.00	18.99	6.98	0	6.98	25.97	0.00	25.97
	34	GOA	0.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.19	0.00	0.19	0.00	0	0.00	0.19	0.00	0.19
	35	MADHYA PRADESH	4.18	6.61	0.00	0.00	10.79	0.00	10.79	189.16	0.00	189.16	199.95	0.00	199.95
	36	CHHATTISGARH	6.32	14.83	0.00	0.00	21.15	0.00	21.15	11.26	0	11.26	32.41	0.00	32.41
Total West Zone			24.84	35.75	0.00	0.00	60.59	0.00	60.59	207.98	0.00	207.98	268.57	0.00	268.57
Grand Total			147.20	323.47	6.79	5.76	470.67	12.55	483.22	381.92	80.70	462.62	852.59	93.25	945.84