

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1014
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH JULY, 2026

PRADHAN MANTRI GARIB KALYAN ANNA YOJANA

1014 SHRI DILIP KUMAR RAY:

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

- (a) the date on which the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana was launched by Government;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries at the time when it was launched;
- (c) the number of people benefitted under PMGKAY, State-wise;
- (d) the expenditure during the year 2025-2026 and the budgetary allocation for the scheme during the year 2026-27; and
- (e) the data regarding the quantity of rice, wheat and other grains provided to the beneficiaries at present, State-wise?

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

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- (a): The Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) was launched by the Government of India in April 2020 with the specific purpose of ameliorating the hardships faced by the poor and needy due to economic disruptions caused by the COVID-19 outbreak in the country.
 - (b): Under the PMGKAY, free of cost foodgrains were distributed to about 80 crore beneficiaries.
 - (c): The State/UT wise details of beneficiaries presently covered under the PMGKAY are at **Annexure-I**.
 - (d): During the financial year 2025-26, the Central Government has released Food Subsidy amounting to ₹2,27,739.96 crore to the States (DCP States) and Food Corporation of India (FCI) under the PMGKAY.

For the financial year 2026-27, the Ministry of Finance has allocated a budget amounting to ₹2,27,429 Crore under the PMGKAY for DCP States and FCI.

(e): Under the PMGKAY, while Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) households, which constitute the poorest of the poor, are entitled to 35 kg of foodgrains per household per month, Priority Households (PHH) are entitled to 5 kg of foodgrains per person per month free of cost. The term “foodgrains” is defined as rice, wheat or coarse grains or any combination thereof conforming to such quality norms as may be determined, by order, by the Central Government from time to time. The commodity-wise details of monthly foodgrains allocation to States/UTs are at **Annexure-II**.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PART (c) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1014 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 28.07.2026 REGARDING “PRADHAN MANTRI GARIB KALYAN ANNA YOJANA”

State/UT wise number of beneficiaries presently covered under the PMGKAY as on 08.07.2026.

Sr. No.	State Name	Number of Beneficiaries (Nos)
1	Andaman and Nicobar islands	59,988
2	Andhra Pradesh	2,68,23,000
3	Arunachal Pradesh	8,40,762
4	Assam	2,48,97,059
5	Bihar	8,23,50,967
6	Chandigarh	3,23,214
7	Chhattisgarh	2,00,77,000
8	Dadar & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	2,63,163
9	Delhi	72,03,498
10	Goa	4,31,674
11	Gujarat	3,38,42,935
12	Haryana	1,26,49,000
13	Himachal Pradesh	28,40,796
14	Jammu and Kashmir	68,28,991
15	Jharkhand	2,63,37,662
16	Karnataka	4,01,93,000
17	Kerala	1,52,89,217
18	Ladakh	1,11,941
19	Lakshadweep	20,053
20	Madhya Pradesh	5,41,10,413
21	Maharashtra	6,77,23,996
22	Manipur	21,09,004
23	Meghalaya	21,25,005
24	Mizoram	7,06,000
25	Nagaland	11,12,356
26	Odisha	3,21,93,059
27	Puducherry	6,34,000
28	Punjab	1,41,51,000
29	Rajasthan	4,38,43,951
30	Sikkim	3,76,878
31	Tamil nadu	3,62,23,350
32	Telangana	1,91,58,121
33	Tripura	23,37,977
34	Uttarakhand	60,05,973
35	Uttar pradesh	14,66,97,109
36	West bengal	6,00,05,245
	Total	79,08,97,357

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PART (e) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION
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ANNA YOJANA”**

Present Monthly allocation of foodgrains to states/UTs under the PMGKAY

(In Thousand tons)

S.No.	Name of the States	Wheat	Rice	Coarse Grains	Total
1	Andhra Pradesh	1.839	154.148	0.000	155.987
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.000	7.416	0.000	7.416
3	Assam	4.129	137.132	0.000	141.261
4	Bihar	184.237	276.355	0.000	460.592
5	Chhattisgarh	0.000	115.338	0.000	115.338
6	Delhi	29.714	7.686	0.000	37.400
7	Goa	0.784	4.137	0.000	4.920
8	Gujarat	70.541	103.909	0.000	174.450
9	Haryana	66.250	0.000	0.000	66.250
10	Himachal pradesh	26.850	15.484	0.000	42.335
11	Jharkhand	29.200	116.800	0.000	145.999
12	Karnataka	0.000	217.403	0.000	217.403
13	Kerala	22.088	96.666	0.000	118.754
14	Madhya pradesh	218.362	72.787	0.000	291.150
15	Maharashtra	215.331	168.435	0.000	383.766
16	Manipur	0.000	11.856	0.000	11.856
17	Meghalaya	1.829	12.863	0.000	14.692
18	Mizoram	0.000	5.480	0.000	5.480
19	Nagaland	0.000	11.504	0.000	11.504
20	Orissa	0.000	187.652	0.000	187.652
21	Punjab	72.510	0.000	0.000	72.510
22	Rajasthan	230.882	0.000	0.000	230.882
23	Sikkim	0.296	3.398	0.000	3.694
24	Tamil Nadu	30.648	274.955	0.877	306.480
25	Telangana	3.771	107.710	0.000	111.481
26	Tripura	3.146	19.457	0.000	22.603
27	Uttarakhand	18.382	23.534	0.000	41.917
28	Uttar Pradesh	339.674	486.382	0.000	826.056
29	West Bengal	196.889	133.996	0.000	330.885
30	A & N islands	0.815	1.648	0.000	2.463
31	Chandigarh (DBT)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
32	D&NH and D&D	0.118	1.142	0.000	1.261
33	Jammu& Kashmir	18.230	42.991	0.000	61.221
34	Ladakh	0.785	0.584	0.000	1.369
35	Lakshadweep	0.000	0.385	0.000	0.385
36	Puducherry (DBT)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Total	1787.301	2819.231	0.877	4607.409
