

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2608
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH AUGUST, 2026

MILLET PROCUREMENT AND DISTRIBUTION UNDER PDS

**2608 SHRI BABUBHAI JESANGBHAI DESAI:
SHRI SADANAND MHALU SHET TANAVADE:**

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

- (a) the details of coarse grains procured by Government at Minimum Support Price (MSP) for distribution under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and other welfare schemes during the last five years;
- (b) whether Government has taken steps to promote the procurement and distribution of Millets under the Public Distribution System across the country, State-wise;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the procurement of foodgrains under the Public Distribution System includes minor Millets in various States to encourage their cultivation?

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

(a): The quantity of coarse grains procured by the Government at Minimum Support Price (MSP) for distribution under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and other welfare schemes during the last five years is at **Annexure I**.

(b) & (c): Government of India has taken following steps to increase Millets procurement and distribution:

- i. Distribution period/Shelf life of millets has been increased from earlier 3 months to 6-10 months.
- ii. Provision has been made for inter-state transportation of surplus millets through FCI.
- iii. Administrative charges on acquisition stage has been increased from 1% to 2% of MSP.

(d): Government has expanded scope of procurement of millets by states/UTs by including minor millets: Foxtail Millet (Kangani/Kakun), Proso Millet (Cheena), Kodo Millet (Kodo), little millet (Kutki), Buck-wheat (kuttu) and Ameranthus (Chaulai) under MSP scheme on the MSP of Ragi upto KMS 2028-29.

Annexure-I referred to in the reply to Part (a) of Unstarred Question No. 2608 in the Rajya Sabha on 11.08.2026.

Annexure-I

STATEMENT SHOWING PROCUREMENT OF COARSEGRAINS (as on- 05.08.2026)														
KMS	COMMODITY	Andhra Pradesh	Gujarat	Haryana	Karnataka	Madhya Pradesh	Maharashtra	Uttar Pradesh	Odisha	Uttarakhand	Tamil Nadu	Qty in Metric Tons		
												Total Procurement	MSP (Rs./qtl)	MSP Value (in crore)
2020-21	JOWAR	-	-	0	80722	29582	17784	0	-	-	-	128088	2620	335.59
	JOWAR(Rabi)	-	-	0	0	0	18384	0	-	-	-	18384	2620	48.17
	BAJRA	-	11515	150000	0	195351	5005	0	-	-	-	361871	2150	778.02
	MAIZE	-	4133	-	0	0	88283	106413	-	-	-	198829	1850	367.83
	MAIZE(Rabi)	-	-	-	0	0	6486	0	-	-	-	6486	1850	12.00
	RAGI	-	-	-	474098	0	0	0	20252	-	-	494350	3295	1628.88
	Total	-	15648	150000	554820	224933	135942	106413	20252	-	-	1208008		
2021-22	JOWAR	-	-	-	103920	32393	20262	0	-	-	-	156575	2738	428.70
	JOWAR(Rabi)	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	0	2738	0.00
	BAJRA	-	7284	-	0	5400	567	0	-	-	-	13251	2250	29.81
	MAIZE	-	389	-	0	0	19615	2763	-	-	-	22767	1870	42.57
	MAIZE(Rabi)	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	0	1870	0.00
	RAGI	-	-	-	404784	0	253	0	32302	-	-	437339	3377	1476.89
	Total	-	7673	-	508703	37793	40697	2763	32302	-	-	629931		
2022-23	JOWAR	-	0	-	76897	258	1378	0	-	-	-	78533	2970	233.24
	JOWAR(Rabi)	3621	685	-	0	0	2358	0	-	-	-	6664	2970	19.79
	BAJRA	-	766	81147	0	0	10	43437	-	-	-	125360	2350	294.60
	BAJRA(Rabi)	-	56645	-	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	56645	2350	133.12
	MAIZE	-	0	-	0	0	48	0	-	-	-	48	1962	0.10
	MAIZE(Rabi)	-	197	-	0	0	12877	0	-	-	-	13074	1962	25.65
	RAGI	4	0	-	454404	0	636	0	-	1186	515	456745	3578	1634.23
	Total	3625	58293	81147	531301	258	17308	43437	-	1186	515	737069		

2023-24	JOWAR	24466			85402		462	13340				123670	3180	393.27
	JOWAR(Rabi)	4903	2946		105019		86624.9					199493	3180	634.39
	BAJRA		33359	231334				355038				619731	2500	1549.33
	BAJRA(Rabi)		76726									76726	2500	191.82
	MAIZE						25	4451				4476	2090	9.35
	MAIZE(Rabi)						56					56	2090	0.12
	RAGI	376	0.75		226576		189	0.7		1889	1889	230920	3846	888.12
	Total	29745	113032	231334	416997		87357	372830		1889	1889	1255073		
2024-25	JOWAR		27		115352	908	937	46942				164166	3371	553.40
	JOWAR(Rabi)	35402	5300		78676		131311					250689	3371	845.07
	BAJRA		3818	156000				101311				261129	2625	685.46
	BAJRA(Rabi)		82223									82223	2625	215.84
	MAIZE						1					1	2225	0.00
	MAIZE(Rabi)		118				51	19312				19481	2225	43.35
	RAGI	205	5		346079		233		40000	3139	4050	393711	4290	1689.02
	RAGI (Rabi)	902										902	4290	3.87
	Total	36509	91491	156000	540107	908	132533	167565	40000	3139	4050	1172302		
2025-26*	JOWAR				140199	390	5518	43562				189669	3699	701.59
	JOWAR(Rabi)	49852	7525		81620		142297					281294	3699	1040.51
	BAJRA		14472	233				213973				228678	2775	634.58
	BAJRA(Rabi)		113796									113796	2775	315.78
	MAIZE		564				100511	13209				114284	2400	274.28
	MAIZE(Rabi)		11870				42467	22719				77056	2400	184.93
	RAGI		13		569331		462			5386	8000	583192	4886	2849.48
	RAGI (Rabi)	5322										5322	4886	26.00
	Total	55174	148240	233	791150	390	291255	293463	0	5386	8000	1593291		
*2025-26 procurement is still going on														
