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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5234 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018

#### **DIGITIZATION OF TPDS**

### 5234. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of States and Union territories that had completed digitization of Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) in order to plug the leakages in existing ration card system;
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government to complete the digitization process of targeted public distribution system; and
- (c) whether any State has comprehensively completed the digitization process and has effected the distribution procedure in digitized template?

# A N S W E R MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c): In order to plug the leakages and bring about greater efficiency and transparency in the Public Distribution System. Government is implementing a scheme on 'End to end computerisation of TPDS Operations'. the scheme comprises digitization of ration cards/beneficiaries, online allocation, computerisation of supply chain management, etc. As reported by States/UTs, digitization of all 23.2 crore ration cards having more than 80 crore beneficiaries has been completed in all States/UTs.

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