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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 384 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05 FEBRUARY, 2019

#### **DIGITIZATION OF RATION CARDS**

#### 384. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

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

(a) whether it is true that the Government has taken up digitization of ration card system of the world's largest programme to distribute subsidised food, the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the target set for the completion of digitization of ration card through out the country;

(c) the details of the current status of digitization of ration cards, State-wise and district-wise;

(d) the time by which the Government will take steps to speed up the said digitization programme, the details thereof;

(e) the details of the funds allocated by the Government for the said programme; and

(f) the details of the fund ratio of both the State and Union Governments for this programme?

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

(a) to (f): Yes Madam. The Department of Food and Public Distribution is implementing a Scheme on "End-to-End Computerization of TPDS Operations' on cost sharing basis with all States/UTs. The costs are being shared on 90:10 basis in respect of North Eastern States and on 50:50 basis with other States/UTs. Total cost approved for the project is Rs. 884.07 Crore, which includes Government of India's share of Rs. 489.37 Crore and States/UTs share of Rs. 394.70 Crore. So far, financial assistance of about Rs. 411 Crore has been released to States/UTs/ NIC, etc.

The scheme comprises of activities namely digitization of ration cards/beneficiaries and other data bases, online allocation, computerization of supply chain management, setting up of transparency portals and grievance redressal mechanisms etc. The digitization of ration cards/beneficiaries database has been completed in all States/UTs and the digitised details are available on the transparency portals of respective State/UT. Statement showing State/UT wise number of ration cards is at Annexure.

# ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 384 TO BE ANSWERED ON $05^{TH}$ FEBRUARY, 2019 IN LOK SABHA.

SI.No.	States/Uts	Total Beneficiaries under NFSA	Digitization %age
1	Andaman & Nicobar	14,805	100%
2	Andhra Pradesh	91,94,873	100%
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1,76,342	100%
4	Assam	57,83,003	100%
5	Bihar	1,54,01,000	100%
6	Chandigarh (DBT)	64,649	100%
7	Chhattisgarh	52,91,425	100%
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	44,705	100%
9	Daman & Diu	19,967	100%
10	Delhi	19,42,289	100%
11	Goa	1,41,168	100%
12	Gujarat	66,41,601	100%
13	Haryana	26,61,656	100%
14	Himachal Pradesh	6,83,208	100%
15	Jammu & Kashmir	16,72,296	100%
16	Jharkhand	57,02,152	100%
17	Karnataka	1,24,25,361	100%
18	Kerala	36,02,970	100%
19	Lakshadweep	5,163	100%
20	Madhya Pradesh	1,17,42,807	100%
21	Maharashtra	1,43,71,037	100%
22	Manipur	5,74,507	100%
23	Meghalaya	4,21,574	100%
24	Mizoram	1,46,913	100%
25	Nagaland	2,84,934	100%
26	Odisha	86,89,614	100%
27	Puducherry (DBT)	1,71,609	100%
28	Punjab	35,27,038	100%
29	Rajasthan	1,05,09,501	100%
30	Sikkim	95,347	100%
31	Tamil Nadu	1,00,34,318	100%
32	Telangana	50,47,824	100%
33	Tripura	5,78,727	100%
34	Uttar Pradesh	3,55,45,490	100%
35	Uttarakhand	13,21,736	100%
36	West Bengal	5,63,46,311	100%
	Total	23,08,77,920	100%