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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2354 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15TH MARCH, 2023

LOSSES SUFFERED BY TPDS

2354. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

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

- (a) the data of the number of beneficiaries who are on the waiting list for ration cards under the Government's Targeted Public Distribution System and the date on which they have applied for the same, State/district-wise for the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the measures the Government is taking to reduce the procurement period for ration card applicants;
- (c) whether there are any losses suffered by TPDS due to leakages of foodgrains during transportation to and from ration shops into the open market;
- (d) if so, the details of such leakages, grainwise;
- (e) the percentage of ration cards that have been digitized and linked with Aadhaar out of the total number of ration cards issued, State-wise; and
- (f) the names of States that are yet to implement online allocation of ration cards?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a): As conveyed by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, the district wise list of applications for new ration card is enclosed as Annexure-I.

- (b): As conveyed by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, Service Level Agreement (SLA) period of 21 days (after submission of new ration card application) has been kept for checking/finalizing eligibility of applicants throughout the year whereas ration cards are issued to eligible applicants bi-annually (June December).
- (c): No leakage of foodgrains has been reported during transportation to the Fair Price Shops (FPSs).
- (d): Doesn't arise.
- (e): At present, 100% ration cards have been digitized, wherein, more than 99% ration cards have been seeded/linked with Aadhar. State-wise details of Issued ration cards is attached as Annexure-II.
- (f): As on date, 100% online allocation of foodgrains has been achieved. In this regard, State Government of Andhra Pradesh has submitted that State has already implemented the online allocation of ration cards. So far online allocation of ration cards is concerned, it is submitted that as per the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) Control Order 2015, the issuance of ration cards & its review, identification of duplicate ration cards and inclusion of genuine eligible beneficiaries / households is the responsibility of the State/UT Government.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2354 FOR ANSWER ON 15.03.2023 IN THE LOK SABHA.

District-wise List of New Ration Cards ApplicationsAs Reported by Andhra Pradesh (From 01-Jan-2023 to 09-Mar-2023)

S. No.	District Name	Pending Count
1	Alluri Sitharama Raju	122
2	Anakapalli	184
3	Ananthapur	325
4	Annamayya	247
5	Bapatla	215
6	Chittoor	244
7	East Godavari	250
8	Eluru	281
9	Guntur	215
10	Kadapa	263
11	Kakinada	269
12	Konaseema	225
13	Krishna	194
14	Kurnool	317
15	Manyam	134
16	Nandyal	232
17	Nellore	345
18	NTR	213
19	Palnadu	223
20	Prakasam	321
21	Srikakulam	285
22	Sri Satya Sai	304
23	Tirupati	246
24	Visakhapatnam	136
25	Vizianagaram	203
26	West Godavari	263
Total Count		6269

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (e) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2354 FOR ANSWER ON 15.03.2023 IN THE LOK SABHA.

S. No.	States/UTs	Total Number of Ration	
		Cards in Central System	
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	16,76	
2	Andhra Pradesh	99,65,57	
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1,66,60	
4	Assam	56,00,17	
5	Bihar	1,83,70,28	
6	Chandigarh	72,11	
7	Chhattisgarh	52,61,51	
8	Dadra & NH and Daman Diu	59,05	
9	Delhi	17,84,09	
10	Goa	1,43,88	
11	Gujarat	75,15,67	
12	Haryana	31,56,63	
13	Himachal Pradesh	7,51,39	
14	Jammu & Kashmir	16,52,37	
15	Jharkhand	60,14,95	
16	Karnataka	1,14,92,45	
17	Kerala	40,90,62	
18	Ladakh	28,99	
19	Lakshadweep	5,18	
20	Madhya Pradesh	1,23,22,87	
21	Maharashtra	1,54,64,37	
22	Manipur	5,66,96	
23	Meghalaya	4,21,56	
24	Mizoram	1,65,74	
25	Nagaland	3,22,74	
26.	Odisha	93,20,72	
27	Puducherry	1,90,36	
28	Punjab	40,66,03	
29	Rajasthan	1,05,30,10	
30	Sikkim	97,20	
31	Tamil Nadu	1,11,47,65	
32	Telangana	53,96,57	
33	Tripura	6,00,91	
34	Uttarakhand	13,57,18	
35	Uttar Pradesh	3,51,86,25	
36	West Bengal	1,39,73,55	
30	National Summary	19,72,79,18	
