

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4717  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023**

**BENEFICIARIES UNDER PMGKAY IN BIHAR**

**4717. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:**

**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 beneficiaries registered under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) in the State of Bihar, district-wise;
- (b) the quantum of foodgrains given to each person in a month under the PMGKAY scheme in Bihar in the last three fiscal years; and
- (c) the details of foodgrains allocated to Bihar in the last three fiscal years, in terms of metric tonnes?

**A N S W E R**

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

(a): The allocation of free foodgrains, under PMGKAY was in addition to normal allocation done under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), 2013 to existing NFSA beneficiaries. Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) is operated under the joint responsibility of the Central and the State/UT Governments. The responsibility of identification of beneficiaries under TPDS lies with respective State/UT. The details of the no. of beneficiaries covered under National Food Security Act, 2013 for Bihar (as on 20.03.2023) is as below:

No. of families/persons identified under NFSA			(in lakh)
AAY		Priority	Total persons
No. of families	No. of person	No. of persons	
25.01	125.05	746.11	871.16

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Bihar has availed maximum permissible limit in terms of number of beneficiaries i.e 871.16 lakh as prescribed under NFSA act. The actual number of beneficiaries keeps on changing based on addition/deletion of ration cards due to various reasons, as reported by States/UTs from time to time.

(b) and (c): 5 kg of additional food grains per person per month was provided free of cost to around 80 Crore NFSA beneficiaries all over the country. A total quantity of approx. 1118 LMT foodgrains had been allocated to States/UTs including 121.86 LMT to Bihar under Phase I-VII of PMGKAY during the period April, 2020 to December, 2022. Details of food grains allocated under PMGKAY to Bihar is as below:

Year	Food grain type	Allocation under PMGKAY (in thousand tons)
2019-20	Rice	0 (PMGKAY Scheme commenced in April 2020)
	Wheat	
	Total	
2020-21	Rice	2603.49
	Wheat	871.16
	Total	3474.65
2021-22	Rice	2874.84
	Wheat	1916.56
	Total	4791.40
2022-23	Rice	3746.00
	Wheat	174.23
	Total	3920.24
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>12186.29</b>

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