

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

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO.39  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2021**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF PMGKAY**

**\*39. SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR:  
SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has piloted any nationwide scheme to increase access to foodgrains and staples in the light of COVID-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of States where Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) for distribution of foodgrains and staples in the light of the COVID-19 pandemic is implemented and the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received any requests from the States for the issue of additional ration and if so, the details thereof including State-wise break up of requests received and sanctioned by the Government;
- (d) the quantity of grains lifted and distributed by each of the States under PMGKAY; and
- (e) the quantity of foodgrains allocated by the Government under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), State-wise and the quantity of foodgrains distributed by each State?

**A N S W E R  
MINISTER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD &  
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION AND TEXTILES  
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)**

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**(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE STARRED QUESTION NO. \*39 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 20.07.2021 IN THE LOK SABHA.**

**(a): As a part of Economic Response to COVID-19, Govt of India has implemented additional nation-wide schemes such as Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojna (PMGKAY) and Atma Nirbhar Bharat Scheme (ANBS). Allocation of the free of cost foodgrains(wheat/rice) under PMGKAY has been made in addition to normal allocation done under the National Food Security Act (NFSA). Allocation of free of cost foodgrains under ANBS was done to cater to migrants/stranded migrants without ration card. (Details are at Annexure-I).**

**During the year 2020, under PMGKAY-I & II, about 322 LMT of foodgrain for the period April-November, 2020 and under ANBS, about 8 LMT foodgrains have been allocated free of cost for the period May & June, 2020. In addition to foodgrains, about 14.47 LMT pulses/whole chana have also been allocated under PMGKAY-I&II for the period April-November, 2020 and about 0.27 LMT whole chana has been allocated under ANBS for the period May-June, 2020.**

**During the year 2021, under PMGKAY-III & IV, about 278 LMT foodgrains have been allocated free of cost for the period May-November, 2021.**

**(b): Under PMGKAY, Govt of India has made allocation of foodgrains @ 5 kg per person per month free of cost for around 80 crore beneficiaries of all the 36 States/UTs covered under NFSA (Antyodaya Anna Yojana(AAY) & Priority Households(PHH)) including those covered under Direct Benefit Transfer(DBT) for a period of 8 months i.e April-November, 2020 and again similarly during the period May -November, 2021.**

**In addition to foodgrains, allocation of pulses/chana to 19.4 crore NFSA households free of cost @ 1kg per household per month has also been made under PMGKAY for the period April-November, 2020.**

**(c): In addition to the above PMGKAY and ANBS Schemes, additional quantities of 9.66 LMT foodgrains during 2020-21 and quantity of 2.79 LMT foodgrains so far during the year 2021-22 have also been released under Open Market Sale Scheme(OMSS) as per the demands of the States/UTs, from Central Pool Stocks for meeting additional requirements of the State/UT Govts. State/UT-wise details are at Annexure-II(i&ii).**

**(d): State/UT-wise details of allocation, lifting and distribution of foodgrains under PMGKAY-I, II, III & IV schemes is placed at Annexure-III & IV and the details of allocation, lifting and distribution of pulses/whole chana under PMGKAY-I& II is at Annexure-V(i&ii).**

**(e): The State/UT wise details of allocation and offtake of foodgrains under National food Security Act (NFSA) is at Annexure-VI.**

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