

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 253
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH JULY, 2021**

LINKING OF AADHAAR WITH RATION CARD

253. SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB:

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

- (a) whether all States in the country have completed linking up Aadhaar card with beneficiaries ration card till date;
- (b) if not, the name of these States and the reasons thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has any plan to force these States to complete the linking up Aadhaar card with beneficiary ration card at a stipulated time to ensure easy availability of rations to migrant labourers who are far away from their native places; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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**MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND
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(a) & (b): So far, at the national level about 92.8% ration cards have been seeded with Aadhaar of beneficiaries. 28 States/UTs have completed the Aadhaar seeding of respective ration cards. Further, Aadhaar seeding of ration cards is progressing slowly in other 8 States/UT of Jharkhand (97.5%), Mizoram (97%), Ladakh (94.7%), Nagaland (86%), West Bengal (79.8%), Arunachal Pradesh (59.7%), Assam (18%) and Meghalaya (16.5%) due to multiple process in Aadhaar generation and their delivery to beneficiaries besides other reasons including technical for seeding with ration cards database.

(c) & (d): Presently, the timeline given to all States/UTs under the Notification dated 08/02/2017 (as amended from time to time) for linking the Aadhaar numbers of beneficiaries with their ration cards has been extended up to 30/09/2021.
