

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2410
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH MARCH, 2022**

BENEFICIARIES UNDER ONE NATION ONE RATION CARD SCHEME

2410. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

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 a fact that the Government has introduced the 'One Nation One Ration Card' scheme (ONORC) to allow beneficiaries to access food entitlements from anywhere in India irrespective of the place where the ration card is registered;
- (b) if so, the number of beneficiaries of ONORC; and
- (c) the details of States that have implemented ONORC scheme?

A N S W E R

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

(a): Yes Sir. The Government has implemented One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) plan for nation-wide portability of the ration cards under National Food Security Act (NFSA). The ONORC plan empowers all NFSA beneficiaries, particularly migratory beneficiaries, in the country to lift their entitled foodgrains from any Fair Price Shop (FPS) of their choice anywhere in the country by using their existing/same ration card with biometric authentication on an electronic Point of Sale (ePoS) devices installed at the FPS.

(b) & (c): Presently, the ONORC plan is enabled in 35 States/UTs covering about 77 Crore beneficiaries (approx. 96.8% of NFSA population) in the country. State/UT-wise beneficiaries covered under ONORC is at Annexure.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) & (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2410 FOR ANSWER ON 16.03.2022 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Statement showing State/UT-wise number of NFSA beneficiaries covered under ONORC

(In lakh)

Sl.	States/ UTs	Total Persons
1	Andhra Pradesh	268.22
2	Arunachal Pradesh	8.40
3	Bihar	871.16
4	Chhattisgarh	200.77
5	Delhi	72.78
6	Goa	5.32
7	Gujarat	341.71
8	Haryana	126.49
9	Himachal Pradesh	28.64
10	Jharkhand	263.70
11	Karnataka	401.93
12	Kerala	154.80
13	Madhya Pradesh	482.58
14	Maharashtra	700.17
15	Manipur	19.97
16	Meghalaya	21.46
17	Mizoram	6.68
18	Nagaland	14.05
19	Odisha	324.15
20	Punjab	141.51
21	Rajasthan	440.01
22	Sikkim	3.79
23	Tamil Nadu	364.69
24	Telangana	191.62
25	Tripura	24.83
26	Uttar Pradesh	1471.92
27	Uttarakhand	61.94
28	West Bengal	601.84
29	A&N	0.61
30	DNH&DD	3.02
31	Lakshadweep	0.22
32	Chandigarh (DBT)	2.75
33	Puduchery (DBT)	6.24
34	J&K	72.41
35	Ladakh	1.44
	Total	7701.82
