

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1645
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH JULY, 2022**

INCLUSION OF MORE ITEMS IN PDS

1645. SHRI SUBBARAYAN K.:

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

- (a) the food items presently available through the Public Distribution System (PDS) for the ration card holders along with the rates of these items;**
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to increase the items like cereals apart from foodgrains through PDS; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof?**

**A N S W E R
MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)**

(a): Targeted Public Distribution System is now governed as per the provisions of the National Food Security Act, 2013. Under the Act, the term “Foodgrains” is defined as Rice, Wheat and Coarse grains or any combination thereof conforming to such quality norms as may be determined, by order, by the Central Government from time to time. Coverage under the Act is under two categories- households covered under Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) and Priority households (PHH). The AAY Households are entitled to receive 35 kg of foodgrains per household per month and PHH are entitled to receive 5 kg of foodgrains per person per month at highly subsidized prices of Rs.3/2/1 per kg for rice/ wheat/ coarse grains respectively.

(b): No Sir.

(c): Does not arise.
