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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.553 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH JULY, 2022

BENEFICIARIES UNDER PDS IN ASSAM

553. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

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

- (a) the number of beneficiaries under the Food and Public Distribution schemes in the State of Assam during the last five financial years;
- (b) the number and percentage of population left out under the system in the last five financial years; and
- (c) the details of the amount of funds released and utilised during the same period?

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

(a): As conveyed by the State Government of Assam, National Food Security Act, 2013 is in implementation under Food and Public Distribution Schemes during the last five financial years. The year wise beneficiaries covered under the scheme is mentioned below:

Year	No. of Beneficiaries	
2017-18	2,47,15,246	
2018-19	2,48,36,884	
2019-20	2,49,05,909	
2020-21	2,49,06,102	
2021-22	2,51,17,064	

(b): As conveyed by the State Government of Assam, the Number and percentage of population left out under the system in the last five financial years is mentioned below:

Year	Population covered	Population Target	Population left from coverage	Percentage of left out population
2017-18	2,47,15,246	2,52,18,002	5,02,756	1.99%
2018-19	2,48,36,884	2,52,18,002	3,81,118	1.51%
2019-20	2,49,05,909	2,52,18,002	3,12,093	1.24%
2020-21	2,49,06,102	2,52,18,002	3,11,900	1.24%
2021-22	2,51,17,064	2,52,18,002	1,00,938	0.40%

(c): The year wise fund released and utilized is mentioned below:

Year	Under NFSA (Rs.)	Under PMGKAY (Rs.)	
2017-18	197,37,73,538.00	Nil	
2018-19	286,46,75,402.00	Nil	
2019-20	Nil	Nil	
2020-21	343,56,22,705.00	24,52,00,000.00	
2021-22	220,79,15,384.00	324,95,62,856.00	
Total	1048,19,87,029.00	349,47,62,856.00	
