

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.559  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2022**

**LINKING RATION CARDS WITH AADHAAR**

**559. SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:  
SHRI RAJENDRA DHEDYA GAVIT:  
SHRI RAMESH CHAND BIND:**

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

- (a) the number/percentage of ration cards in the country which are now available on transparency portals of States/Union Territories;
- (b) the details of the percentage of Aadhaar cards that have been linked in each State/Union Territory;
- (c) the date by which the remaining ration cards are likely to be linked with Aadhaar numbers; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any steps to bring transparency in the functioning of Public Distribution System and 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)**

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(a): The digitization of ration cards has been completed in all States/UTs and all the 19.5 Crore (approx) Ration Cards are available on transparency portal of respective States/UTs.

(b): A statement showing State/UT-wise progress of Aadhaar seeding in ration card is Annexed.

(c): 99% of total 19.5 Crore ration cards under NFSA have already been seeded with Aadhaar number (i.e. at least one member of the household). States/UTs have been given time upto 30.09.2022 to complete the Aadhaar seeding of the remaining ration cards.

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**(d): For effective implementation and bringing transparency in Public Distribution System (PDS), Government has implemented a scheme - "End-to-end Computerization of Targeted Public distribution System (TPDS) Operations". Under this scheme, various activities were carried out such as digitization of ration cards/beneficiary and other databases, online allocation, computerization of supply-chain management, setting up of transparency portal and grievance redressal mechanism, etc. Besides, automation of fair price shop (FPS) had also been done which involves installation of electronic Point of Sale (ePoS) device at FPS for authentication of beneficiaries and electronic capturing of transaction data. About 5.32 lakh FPSs out of total 5.33 lakh FPSs across the country have been automated so far.**

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ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 559 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 20.07.2022 IN THE LOK SABHA.

**A statement showing State/UT-wise progress of Aadhaar seeding in ration card**

Sl.	States/UTs	% Seeding of Ration Cards
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	100%
2	Andhra Pradesh	100%
3	Arunachal Pradesh	85%
4	Assam	93%
5	Bihar	100%
6	Chandigarh	100%
7	Chhattisgarh	100%
8	Dadra & NH and Daman Diu	100%
9	Delhi	100%
10	Goa	100%
11	Gujarat	100%
12	Haryana	100%
13	Himachal Pradesh	100%
14	Jammu & Kashmir	100%
15	Jharkhand	98%
16	Karnataka	100%
17	Kerala	100%
18	Ladakh	99%
19	Lakshadweep	100%
20	Madhya Pradesh	100%
21	Maharashtra	100%
22	Manipur	99%
23	Meghalaya	38%
24	Mizoram	98%
25	Nagaland	92%
26	Odisha	99%
27	Puducherry	97.4%
28	Punjab	100%
29	Rajasthan	100%
30	Sikkim	100%
31	Tamil Nadu	100%
32	Telangana	100%
33	Tripura	100%
34	Uttarakhand	100%
35	Uttar Pradesh	100%
36	West Bengal	95%
	<b>National Summary</b>	<b>99.1%</b>

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