

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1534
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31ST JULY, 2024

FOODGRAINS TO RATION CARD HOLDERS

1534 SHRI CAPTAIN VIRIATO FERNANDES:

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

- (a) the details of the different schemes adopted to supply foodgrains to ration card holders in the State of Goa from 2014 till June 2024 including the quantity supplied through different schemes, year-wise and amount paid as commission to Government of Goa for onward distribution by Fair Price Shops (FPS) outlets;
- (b) the details regarding balance amount, if any, to be paid to Government of Goa towards commission of FPS outlets from 2014 till June 2024, scheme-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that FPS outlets which are the back bone in supporting food distribution system which have served for decades, are becoming non-viable due to less number of ration card served per FPS outlets; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken any steps to help the FPS owners for any alternate source of income or make the FPS unit viable?

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MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS,
FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRIMATI NIMUBEN JAYANTIBHAI BAMBHANIYA)

(a) & (b): The National Food Security Act, 2013 is being implemented in the State of Goa w.e.f. December 2015. The Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) was launched with the specific purpose of ameliorating the hardships faced by the poor and needy due to economic disruptions caused by the COVID-19 outbreak in the country. In view of COVID crisis, the allocation of free foodgrains, under PMGKAY was in addition to regular allocation done. The Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) being implemented in all the States/UTs, on an all-India basis, aims to supplement the food requirements of upto 75% of the rural and upto 50% of the urban population, which at Census 2011 comes to 81.35 crore persons. Details of funds released under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Assistance to State Agencies for intra-state movement of foodgrains and FPS dealers' margin" along with allocation and Offtake of foodgrains (wheat and Rice) under NFSA & PMGKAY to State Govt. of Goa from 2014 to 2024 are as per **Annexure-I**.

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(c) & (d): To improve the financial viability of FPSs, Government of India has urged all State/UT Governments to take up initiatives through FPSs such as providing Common Service Centre (CSC) services, Banking services through tie up with banks/ corporate Banking Correspondents, Banking and citizen-centric services of India Post Payment Bank (IPPB), Retail selling of small (5kg) LPG cylinders, Sale of other commodities/ general store items etc.

The State Government also allow sale of commodities other than the foodgrains distributed under the TPDS at the fair price shops to improve the viability of the fair price shop operations.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1534 FOR ANSWER ON 31.07.2024 IN THE LOK SABHA

Allocation and Offtake of foodgrains (Wheat & Rice) under NFSA/PMGKAY to Goa from 2014							Funds released in Rs. Crore to State Agencies for intra-state movement of foodgrains and FPS dealers' margin
Year	NFSA		PMGKAY (launched during COVID-19)		Total		
	Allocation	Offtake	Allocation	Offtake	Allocation	Offtake	
2014-15	66.880	64.693	-	-	66.880	64.693	0.00
2015-16	64.148	63.175	-	-	64.148	63.175	0.56
2016-17	59.025	59.015	-	-	59.025	59.015	0.00
2017-18	59.003	58.217	-	-	59.003	58.217	2.39
2018-19	59.031	59.034	-	-	59.031	59.034	4.04
2019-20	59.045	58.832	-	-	59.045	58.832	1.81
2020-21	58.173	58.419	20.599	20.599	78.772	79.018	3.15
2021-22	58.521	58.360	29.270	29.270	87.791	87.630	2.66
2022-23	59.045	48.666	23.948	21.703	82.993	70.369	4.69
2023-24	57.971	40.469	-	-	57.971	40.469	5.67
2024-25 (offtake till June'24)	59.045	11.686	-	-	59.045	11.686	0.00
Total	659.887	580.568	73.817	71.572	733.704	652.140	24.97
