

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.238
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH NOVEMBER, 2024

BENEFICIARIES UNDER PMGKAY

238 SHRI VARUN CHAUDHRY:
SHRI ADHIKARI DEEPAK DEV:

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 Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) during each of the last seven years, State-wise;
- (b) whether any survey has been conducted by the Government to continue the above said yojana for next five years; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a): Under the joint responsibility of the Central and State Government, the responsibility for identification of beneficiaries and issuance of their ration cards rest with the concerned State Government. Deletion of ineligible beneficiaries and addition of eligible beneficiaries under the Act is a continuous process. Due to this, the beneficiaries database is dynamic in nature. At present, against the total intended coverage of 81.35 crore, 80.67 crore persons are covered under PMGKAY. State wise coverage is at Annexure.

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(b) & (c): No survey has been conducted. However, The Central Government, in order to remove the financial burden of the poor beneficiaries and to ensure nationwide uniformity and effective implementation of the Act, had decided to provide food grains free of cost to NFSA beneficiaries i.e. Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) households and Priority Households PHH beneficiaries, for a period of one year beginning from 1st January 2023 under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY). The period for distribution of free of cost foodgrains has been extended for further five years i.e. from January, 2024.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.238 FOR ANSWER ON 27.11.2024 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Statement indicating State-Wise number of Persons/families Covered under PMGKAY

Sl. No.	States/ UTs	Present coverage (In lakh)			
		AAY		Priority	Total persons
		No. of families	No. of person	No. of persons	
1	Andhra Pradesh	9.08	23.52	244.70	268.22
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.38	1.50	6.90	8.40
3	Assam	6.92	28.08	223.08	251.17
4	Bihar	25.01	125.05	746.11	871.16
5	Chhattisgarh	7.19	20.42	180.35	200.77
6	Delhi	0.69	2.78	70.00	72.78
7	Goa	0.12	0.46	4.86	5.32
8	Gujarat	7.76	35.82	327.17	362.98
9	Haryana	2.68	11.35	115.14	126.49
10	Himachal Pradesh	1.65	6.82	23.07	29.88
11	Jharkhand	8.94	34.76	229.43	264.19
12	Karnataka	10.97	43.91	358.02	401.93
13	Kerala	5.96	25.59	129.21	154.80
14	Madhya Pradesh	14.63	54.93	479.86	534.79
15	Maharashtra	25.05	108.01	592.16	700.17
16	Manipur	0.64	1.91	18.97	20.87
17	Meghalaya	0.70	2.91	18.54	21.46
18	Mizoram	0.26	0.64	6.41	7.05
19	Nagaland	0.48	2.11	11.94	14.05
20	Odisha	12.53	37.57	287.60	325.17

21	Punjab	1.79	7.64	133.80	141.45
22	Rajasthan	6.29	22.29	417.72	440.01
23	Sikkim	0.17	0.57	3.24	3.81
24	Tamil Nadu	18.64	65.78	298.34	364.12
25	Telangana	5.67	15.95	175.74	191.62
26	Tripura	1.09	4.62	19.81	24.43
27	Uttar Pradesh	40.90	132.57	1377.26	1509.82
28	Uttarakhand	1.84	7.92	54.02	61.94
29	West Bengal	16.42	54.99	546.85	601.84
30	A&N	0.04	0.14	0.46	0.61
31	DNH&DD	0.05	0.24	2.45	2.69
32	Lakshadweep	0.01	0.04	0.18	0.22
33	Chandigarh (DBT)	0.00	0.01	2.98	2.99
34	Puduchery (DBT)	0.25	0.82	5.52	6.34
35	J&K	2.33	10.61	61.80	72.41
36	Ladakh	0.06	0.29	1.15	1.44
Total		237.19	892.62	7174.86	8067.47
