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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3154 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2025

FREE RATION UNDER PMGKAY

3154. SHRI NAVEEN JINDAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantity of free ration distributed under Pradhan Mantri Gareeb Kalyan Yojana (PMGKAY) during each of the last three years and the current year till date along with the number of beneficiaries, State-wise;
- (b) the quantity of old stock of foodgrains, lying in godown which needs early disposal, grainwise;
- (c) the quantity of foodgrains stock sold in open market under open market sale scheme during the said period till date, grain-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure availability of adequate quantities of foodgrains in domestic market and also to check prices of foodgrains in the open market?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHDIMATI NIMIBEN IAVANTIBHAI RAMBHANIVA)

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- (a): The details of foodgrains distributed under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) from 2022 to 2025 is at **Annexure-I.** The State-wise coverage of beneficiaries under PMGKAY 2022 to 2025 is at **Annexure-II.**
- (b): No stock of more than three years is lying in the Food Corporation of India.
- (c) & (d): Government of India sells surplus food grains (Wheat & Rice), beyond the public Distribution System (PDS) and Other Welfare Schemes (OWS) requirements, through open sale under Open Market Sales Scheme (Domestic) (OMSS(D)). This helps increase the availability of foodgrains in the market, controls inflation, ensures food security and make foodgrains more affordable for the general population. In addition, Bharat Atta and Bharat Rice were launched on 06.11.2023 and 06.02.2024, respectively, with a view to provide atta (wheat flour) and rice to general consumers at subsidized rates under Open Market Sale Scheme (Domestic) (OMSS(D)) policy. Quantity of wheat and rice sold in open market under OMSS(D) during last three years and current year are enclosed at **Annexure-III.**

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3154 FOR ANSWER ON 19.03.2025 IN THE LOK SABHA.

The details of foodgrains distributed under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) from 2022 to 2025.

S. No.	State/UT	Food Grains Distribution in 2022 (Qty in MT)	Food Grains Distribution in 2023 (Qty in MT)	Food Grains Distribution in 2024 (Qty in MT)	Food Grains Distribution in 2025 (till Feb 2025) (Qty in MT)
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	7,478	4,231	4,236	708
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	25,77,158	17,37,063	17,42,767	2,93,254
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	83,322	50,190	51,783	3,717
4	ASSAM	15,31,107	11,99,564	14,90,491	2,63,237
5	BIHAR	1,42,73,602	52,14,677	50,28,598	8,20,199
6	CHHATTISGARH	25,07,948	13,38,063	13,41,737	2,23,132
7	Dadar & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	32,839	15,881	16,810	2,922
8	DELHI	9,30,188	4,73,472	5,28,397	92,701
9	GOA	60,466	29,690	29,193	4,875
10	GUJARAT	41,12,030	21,35,677	21,91,020	3,71,640
11	HARYANA	14,31,236	7,69,482	10,46,118	1,86,555
12	HIMACHAL PRADESH	3,51,174	1,97,555	1,80,683	26,839
13	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	7,75,459	4,18,920	4,25,088	77,682
14	JHARKHAND	30,37,027	16,25,601	16,36,927	2,74,242
15	KARNATAKA	47,75,457	24,93,936	24,97,515	4,17,588
16	KERALA	18,44,001	9,79,657	9,96,834	1,59,701
17	LADAKH	13,258	7,803	7,752	1,286

	Grand Total	9,32,78,766	4,90,36,431	5,00,71,894	83,37,723
34	WEST BENGAL	68,96,016	38,50,869	38,79,660	6,45,444
33	UTTARAKHAND	5,70,376	3,26,298	3,70,387	63,541
32	UTTAR PRADESH	1,62,58,658	94,48,792	94,23,899	15,71,661
31	TRIPURA	3,04,243	1,60,174	1,61,241	26,769
30	TELANGANA	24,33,062	12,07,709	12,25,778	2,06,099
29	TAMIL NADU	41,52,878	23,70,942	23,39,331	3,86,798
28	SIKKIM	25,292	17,577	19,770	3,046
27	RAJASTHAN	50,23,136	26,07,589	25,65,551	4,07,810
26	PUNJAB	17,81,022	6,37,593	8,77,366	1,29,861
25	ODISHA	38,37,670	22,18,710	22,23,767	3,67,428
24	NAGALAND	1,23,371	71,297	72,084	11,255
23	MIZORAM	84,794	46,379	46,687	4,002
22	MEGHALAYA	2,34,543	1,24,324	1,26,222	19,075
21	MANIPUR	2,05,219	27,919	-	-
20	MAHARASHTRA	70,97,517	40,21,960	41,75,930	7,05,241
19	MADHYA PRADESH	59,06,758	32,06,221	33,46,949	5,69,194
18	LAKSHADWEEP	459	611	1,324	222

^{*} Chandigarh and Puducherry are DBT and Manipur has not reported Distribution Data from May 2023

^{**}The 2022 distribution data includes the additional free foodgrains distributed under PMGKAY (during the COVID period) and foodgrains distributed under NFSA.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3154 FOR ANSWER ON 19.03.2025 IN THE LOK SABHA.

The State-wise coverage of beneficiaries under PMGKAY from 2022 to 2025 during the last three years

		Actual number of beneficiaries covered (In lakh)						
Sl. No.	States/ UTs	As on 31.03.2022	As on 31.03.2023	As on 31.3.2024	As on 28.02.2025			
1	Andhra Pradesh	268.22	268.22	268.22	268.22			
2	Arunachal Pradesh	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40			
3	Assam	251.17	251.17	251.17	247.98			
4	Bihar	871.16	871.16	871.16	871.16			
5	Chhattisgarh	200.77	200.77	200.77	200.77			
6	Delhi	72.78	72.78	72.78	72.78			
7	Goa	5.32	5.32	5.32	5.32			
8	Gujarat	345.15	344.15	351.60	365.84			
9	Haryana	126.49	126.49	126.49	126.49			
10	Himachal Pradesh	28.64	28.64	28.64	29.88			
11	Jharkhand	264.26	264.19	264.19	264.19			
12	Karnataka	401.93	401.93	401.93	401.93			
13	Kerala	154.80	154.80	154.80	154.80			
14	Madhya Pradesh	482.59	511.32	534.79	534.79			
15	Maharashtra	700.17	700.17	700.17	700.17			
16	Manipur	19.97	20.08	20.08	20.87			
17	Meghalaya	21.46	21.46	21.46	21.46			
18	Mizoram	6.68	6.81	6.83	7.05			
19	Nagaland	14.05	14.05	14.05	14.05			
20	Odisha	324.15	325.03	325.98	325.17			
21	Punjab	141.51	141.51	141.45	141.45			
22	Rajasthan	440.01	440.01	440.01	440.0			
23	Sikkim	3.79	3.81	3.81	3.8			
24	Tamil Nadu	364.69	364.12	364.12	364.12			
25	Telangana	191.62	191.62	191.62	191.70			

	Total	7972.53	8010.70	8049.94	8056.02
36	Ladakh	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.44
35	J&K	72.41	72.41	72.41	72.41
34	Puducherry (DBT)	6.23	6.34	6.34	6.34
33	Chandigarh (DBT)	2.76	2.99	2.99	2.99
32	Lakshadweep	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22
31	DNHⅅ	3.02	2.69	2.69	2.69
30	A&N	0.61	0.61	0.61	0.61
29	West Bengal	601.84	601.84	601.84	601.84
28	Uttarakhand	61.94	61.94	61.94	61.94
27	Uttar Pradesh	1487.44	1497.77	1505.19	1498.70
26	Tripura	24.83	24.43	24.43	24.43

Annexure-III

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) & (d) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3154 FOR ANSWER ON 19.03.2025 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Open Market Sale Scheme (OMSS(D)	2021-22 (Fig. in LMT)		2022-23 (Fig. in LMT)		2023-24 (Fig. in LMT)		2024-25 till date (Fig. in LMT)	
	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat	Rice	Wheat
Sale to State Govt. through E- auction	8.10	10.11	0.82	0	0	0	0	0
Sale to State Govt. without E- auction	1.98	0.94	1.83	0.01	0.96	0	4.82	0
Sale to private parties/bulk consumers through e-auction	0.01	59.32	0.002	33.79	1.91	94.15	17.25	29.66
Sale Bharat brand scheme	0	0	0	0	3.58	7.26	12.60	10.56
Rice sale for Ethanol production	1.69	0	15.20	0	8.99	0		
Sale of Bjra (course grain) under OMSS(D)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	11.78	70.37	99.032	33.80	15.44	101.41	34.67	40.22
Year wise total	8	22.15	1	132.832	11	16.85	7-	4.89
