

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

**LOK SABHA**  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4350  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025**

**UNIVERSAL PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION SCHEME**

4350. KM. SUDHA R:

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

- (a) the number of beneficiaries under the Universal Public Distribution Scheme, year-wise;
- (b) the details of disbursements thereunder, State-wise;
- (c) the number of other State beneficiaries who received materials in the State of Tamil Nadu under the said scheme;
- (d) the quantum and the details of materials distributed to beneficiaries under the scheme and the compensation, if any, given to the State of Tamil Nadu; and
- (e) the details of beneficiaries registered in Tamil Nadu, but received materials in other States under this scheme?

**A N S W E R**

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

(a): The National Food Security Act (NFSA) has total coverage of beneficiaries of 81.35 crores persons against which currently 80.56 crore persons are availing foodgrains free of cost. The comparative data of no. of beneficiaries in the last two years is as below:

	<b>As on Feb 2025</b>	<b>As on 31.03.2024</b>	<b>As on 31.03.2023</b>
No. of Beneficiaries (in crore)	80.56	80.49	80.10

- (b): Details of disbursements under NFSA year wise and State wise is at **Annexure-I**.
- (c): Total 36.6 MT of food grains was distributed to migrant beneficiaries in Tamil Nadu since Aug 2019
- (d) & (e) Total of 158.1 MT of food grains was distributed to migrant beneficiaries from Tamil Nadu since Aug 2019. Details are at **Annexure II**.

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**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4350 FOR ANSWER ON 26.03.2025 IN THE LOK SABHA.**

**The details of disbursements under NFSA year wise and State-wise**

(Qty in MT)

S. N.	State/UT	2023	2024	2025 (till Feb 2025)
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	4,231	4,236	708
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	17,37,063	17,42,767	2,93,254
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	50,190	51,783	3,717
4	ASSAM	11,99,564	14,90,491	2,63,237
5	BIHAR	52,14,677	50,28,598	8,20,199
6	CHHATTISGARH	13,38,063	13,41,737	2,23,132
7	Dadar & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	15,881	16,810	2,922
8	DELHI	4,73,472	5,28,397	92,701
9	GOA	29,690	29,193	4,875
10	GUJARAT	21,35,677	21,91,020	3,71,640
11	HARYANA	7,69,482	10,46,118	1,86,555
12	HIMACHAL PRADESH	1,97,555	1,80,683	26,839
13	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	4,18,920	4,25,088	77,682
14	JHARKHAND	16,25,601	16,36,927	2,74,242
15	KARNATAKA	24,93,936	24,97,515	4,17,588
16	KERALA	9,79,657	9,96,834	1,59,701
17	LADAKH	7,803	7,752	1,286
18	LAKSHADWEEP	611	1,324	222
19	MADHYA PRADESH	32,06,221	33,46,949	5,69,194
20	MAHARASHTRA	40,21,960	41,75,930	7,05,241
21	MANIPUR	27,919	-	-
22	MEGHALAYA	1,24,324	1,26,222	19,075

23	MIZORAM	46,379	46,687	4,002
24	NAGALAND	71,297	72,084	11,255
25	ODISHA	22,18,710	22,23,767	3,67,428
26	PUNJAB	6,37,593	8,77,366	1,29,861
27	RAJASTHAN	26,07,589	25,65,551	4,07,810
28	SIKKIM	17,577	19,770	3,046
29	TAMIL NADU	23,70,942	23,39,331	3,86,798
30	TELANGANA	12,07,709	12,25,778	2,06,099
31	TRIPURA	1,60,174	1,61,241	26,769
32	UTTAR PRADESH	94,48,792	94,23,899	15,71,661
33	UTTARAKHAND	3,26,298	3,70,387	63,541
34	WEST BENGAL	38,50,869	38,79,660	6,45,444
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4,90,36,431</b>	<b>5,00,71,894</b>	<b>83,37,723</b>

\* Chandigarh and Puducherry are DBT and Manipur has not reported Distribution Data from May 2023

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**Annexure II**

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) & (e) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4350 FOR ANSWER ON 26.03.2025 IN THE LOK SABHA.

<b>Inter-State foodgrain distribution of Tamil Nadu (in KGs) since Aug 2019</b>			
<b>S. NO.</b>	<b>States/UTs</b>	<b>Beneficiaries of Tamil Nadu availed ration in other States</b>	<b>Beneficiaries of other States availed ration in Tamil Nadu</b>
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	1,461	-
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	70	257
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	-	-
4	ASSAM	-	139
5	BIHAR	889	30,250
6	CHANDIGARH	-	-
7	CHHATISGARH	30	186
8	DAMAN & DIU	-	-
9	DELHI	23,161	205
10	GOA	590	-
11	GUJARAT	883	-
12	HARYANA	135	73
13	HIMACHAL PRADESH	-	-
14	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	40	90
15	JHARKHAND	-	1,303
16	KARNATAKA	1,565	437
17	KERALA	83,260	237

18	LADAKH	-	-
19	LAKSHADWEEP	-	-
20	MADHYA PRADESH	355	62
21	MAHARASHTRA	41,953	457
22	MANIPUR	-	-
23	MEGHALAYA	-	-
24	MIZORAM	-	-
25	NAGALAND	-	-
26	ODISHA	-	-
27	PUDUCHERRY	-	-
28	PUNJAB	45	-
29	RAJASTHAN	350	400
30	SIKKIM	-	-
31	TELANGANA	2,390	-
32	TRIPURA	-	5
33	UTTARAKHAND	150	-
34	UTTAR PRADESH	465	2,481
35	WEST BENGAL	345	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,58,137</b>	<b>36,582</b>

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