

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4266
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH MARCH, 2026

COMPUTERISATION OF PDS

†4266. **SMT. DELKAR KALABEN MOHANBHAI:**
SHRI BHUMARE SANDIPANRAO ASARAM:

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

- (a): whether the Government has computerised the distribution process of Public Distribution System (PDS) in the country;
- (b): if so, the details thereof especially in Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Maharashtra;
- (c): whether electronic Know Your Customer (e-KYC) of PDS beneficiaries is being implemented to prevent fraud and theft; and
- (d): if so, the details thereof?

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(SHRIMATI NIMUBEN JAYANTIBHAI BAMBHANIYA)

(a) & (b): Present Status of modernization efforts of Public Distribution System in all States/UTs (including Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Maharashtra) are as follows –

- Ration cards/beneficiary's database have been completely digitized (100%) in all States/UTs. 99.7% of ration cards have been Aadhar seeded.
- The transparency portal and online grievance redressal facility/Toll-free number have been implemented in all States/UTs.
- Online allocation has been implemented in all States/UTs and supply chain has been computerized in 31 States/UTs (except UTs of Chandigarh, Puducherry and Urban area of Dadra & Nagar Haveli which have adopted DBT Cash Transfer scheme).
- The nationwide portability of ration cards, popularly known as One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) has been implemented in all 36 States/UTs, covering all Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) beneficiaries.

- More than 5.50 Lakh (99.8%) out of total 5.51 Lakh Fair Price Shops (FPSs) in the country have been automated by installing ePoS devices for the distribution of foodgrains through Aadhaar biometric authentication of beneficiaries.

(c) & (d): Yes, the electronic Know Your Customer (e-KYC) of PDS beneficiaries is being implemented and currently eKYC of around 87.37 % of PDS beneficiaries has been completed across the country.
