

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3895  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2016

AAY BENEFICIARIES

3895. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:  
SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL:

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

- (a) whether the Government has laid down any guidelines, criteria for identification of Antodaya Anna Yojana beneficiaries and if so, the details thereof indicating the number of beneficiaries covered State-wise; and
- (b) whether the Government has received any request from the States for increasing the number of beneficiaries under the scheme and if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto State-wise?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

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(a): Yes, Madam. As per the guidelines issued by the Government, the Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) families are to be identified by States/Union Territories (UTs) as per the following criteria:

- i) Households headed by widows or terminally ill persons/disabled persons/ persons aged 60 years or more with no assured means of subsistence or societal support.
- ii) Widows or terminally ill persons or disabled persons or persons aged 60 years or more or single women or single men with no family or societal support or assured means of subsistence.
- iii) All primitive tribal households.

iv) Landless agriculture labourers, marginal farmers, rural artisans/craftsmen such as potters, tanners, weavers, blacksmiths, carpenters, slum dwellers, and persons earning their livelihood on daily basis in the informal sector like porters, coolies, rickshaw pullers, hand cart pullers, fruit and flower sellers, snake charmers, rag pickers, cobblers, destitutes and other similar categories in both rural and urban areas.

v) All eligible Below Poverty Line (BPL) families of HIV positive persons.

A statement showing State/UT-wise coverage under AAY and identified number of families as on 31.07.2016 is at Annex.

(b): Requests have been received from a few State Governments to increase this number, but it could not be acceded to, as the number is fixed for every State. States/UTs are advised from time to time to review the existing list of AAY beneficiaries and remove the ineligible beneficiaries so as to include only the most eligible.

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Annex referred to in reply to part (a) of Unstarred Question No.3895 due for answer on 09.08.2016 IN the Lok Sabha

| STATE/UT- WISE COVERAGE UNDER AAY AND IDENTIFIED NUMBER OF FAMILIES            |  |  |                          |   |
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| अन्त्योदय अन्न योजना के अधीन राज्यवार कवरेज एवं पहचान की गई परिवारों की संख्या |  |  |                          |   |
|  |  |  | As on 31.07.2016         |   |
|  |  |  | (Fig. in lakh) (लाख में) |   |
| S.No.<br>क्रम सं   | States/UTs<br>राज्य/केन्द्र शासित प्रदेश | Coverage under AAY<br>अन्त्योदय अन्न योजना के अधीन कवरेज |                          | AAY families identified<br>अन्त्योदय अन्न योजना परिवारों की पहचान |
|  |  | Total<br>कुल   | Total<br>कुल             | Total<br>कुल  |
| 1  | Andhra Pd आन्ध्र प्रदेश                  | 9.586  |                          | 9.080   |
| 2  | Arunachal Pd अरुणाचल प्रदेश              | 0.380  |                          | 0.370   |
| 3  | Assam असम                                | 7.040  |                          | 7.000   |
| 4  | Bihar बिहार                              | 25.010   |                          | 25.010  |
| 5  | Chattisgarh छत्तीसगढ़                    | 7.189  |                          | 7.190   |
| 6  | Delhi दिल्ली                             | 1.568  |                          | 0.760   |
| 7  | Goa गोवा                                 | 0.184  |                          | 0.130   |
| 8  | Gujarat गुजरात                           | 8.128  |                          | 2.960   |
| 9  | Haryana हरियाणा                          | 3.025  |                          | 2.680   |
| 10   | Himachal Pd हिमाचल प्रदेश                | 1.971  |                          | 1.750   |
| 11   | J & K जम्मू एवं कश्मीर                   | 2.822  |                          | 2.480   |
| 12   | Jharkhand झारखंड                         | 9.179  |                          | 9.160   |
| 13   | Karnataka कर्नाटक                        | 11.997   |                          | 10.970  |
| 14   | Kerala केरल                              | 5.958  |                          | 5.958   |
| 15   | Madhya Pd मध्य प्रदेश                    | 15.816   |                          | 14.320  |
| 16   | Maharashtra महाराष्ट्र                   | 25.053   |                          | 25.050  |
| 17   | Manipur मणिपुर                           | 0.636  |                          | 0.630   |
| 18   | Meghalaya मेघालय                         | 0.702  |                          | 0.150   |
| 19   | Mizoram मिजोरम                           | 0.261  |                          | 0.260   |
| 20   | Nagaland नागालैंड                        | 0.475  |                          | 0.110   |
| 21   | Odisha ओडिसा                             | 12.645   |                          | 9.470   |
| 22   | Punjab पंजाब                             | 1.794  |                          | 1.790   |
| 23   | Rajasthan राजस्थान                       | 9.321  |                          | 9.320   |
| 24   | Sikkim सिक्किम                           | 0.165  |                          | 0.170   |
| 25   | Tamil Nadu तमिलनाडु                      | 18.646   |                          | 18.646  |
| 26   | Tripura त्रिपुरा                         | 1.131  |                          | 1.110   |
| 27   | Uttar Pd उत्तर प्रदेश                    | 40.945   |                          | 40.950  |
| 28   | Uttarakhand उत्तराखंड                    | 1.909  |                          | 1.840   |
| 29   | West Bengal पश्चिम बंगाल                 | 19.857   |                          | 15.320  |
| 30   | A & N अण्डमान एवं निकोबार द्वीप          | 0.107  |                          | 0.040   |
| 31   | Chandigarh चंडीगढ़                       | 0.088  |                          | 0.001   |
| 32   | D&N Haveli दादरा एवं नगर हवेली           | 0.069  |                          | 0.030   |
| 33   | Daman & Diu दमन एवं दीव                  | 0.015  |                          | 0.010   |
| 34   | Lakshdweep लक्षद्वीप                     | 0.012  |                          | 0.010   |
| 35   | Puducherry पुदुचेरी                      | 0.322  |                          | 0.230   |
| 36   | Telangana तेलंगाना                       | 5.992  |                          | 5.670   |
|  | Total कुल                                | 249.998  |                          | 230.625   |