

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 3457
ANSWERED ON- 10.08.2026

Allocation of Foodgrains under PM-POSHAN

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has ensured the timely allocation of foodgrains to States/UTs under the Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman Yojana during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the details of students benefitted and foodgrains distributed under the said scheme during the past three years in the State of Uttar Pradesh including the Baghpat Lok Sabha Constituency, district and year-wise;
- (d) whether any special monitoring system has been implemented by the Government to ensure the timely allocation and lifting of foodgrains in the said areas and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has set up an effective mechanism to ensure the quality of foodgrains under the scheme and for speedy redressal of complaints received; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (f): Education is part of the Concurrent List of the Constitution of India and most of the Government Schools and School Boards are under the administration of the State Government and Union Territory (UT) Administrations. PM POSHAN Scheme is implemented in partnership with the State Governments and UT Administrations. The overall responsibility for providing hot and nutritious meal to all children studying in Bal Vatika (just before class 1) and classes I to VIII of Government and Government aided schools lies with the State Governments and UT Administrations.

The Central Government provides 100% assistance for cost of foodgrains, transportation cost and cost of Management Monitoring & Evaluation (MME). As mandated under the Scheme, foodgrains are provided by Food Corporation of India (FCI). The allocation of foodgrains, as approved by the Programme Approval Board (PAB)- PM POSHAN are made to the State Nodal Department and the FCI. The foodgrains are allocated bi-annually by the Department of School

Education and Literacy with the concurrence of Department of Food and Public Distribution. The State-wise allocation of foodgrains during the last three years under PM Poshan Scheme is at **Annexure-I**. The Government of Uttar Pradesh has reported the district-wise number of children and foodgrains distributed under the scheme during last three years is at **Annexure-II**.

It is the responsibility of the FCI to ensure continuous availability of adequate foodgrains in its Depots (and in Principal Distribution Centres in the case of North East Region). It allows lifting of foodgrains for any month/quarter upto one month in advance so that supply chain of foodgrains remains uninterrupted. FCI issues foodgrains of best available quality, which in any case is at least of Fair Average Quality (FAQ). FCI has also appointed a Nodal Officer for each State to take care of various problems in supply of foodgrains under the Scheme. The District Collector/CEO of Zila Panchayat also ensures that foodgrains of at least FAQ are issued by FCI after joint inspection by a team consisting of FCI and the nominee of the Collector and/or Chief Executive Officer, District Panchayat, and confirmation by them that the grain conforms to at least FAQ norms. FCI keeps samples of such foodgrains supplied by it for future verification and analysis which is available in case of any complaints regarding the quality of foodgrains supplied.

The scheme also provides elaborate monitoring mechanism i.e. Empowered Committee under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Union Education Minister, Programme Approval Board (PAB) under the Chairpersonship of Secretary (DoSE&L), State Steering-cum-Monitoring Committee under the Chairpersonship of Chief Secretary, District level Steering-cum-Monitoring Committee under the Chairpersonship of District Collector. The PM Poshan Guidelines provides a District Level Committee under the Chairmanship of Senior Most Member of Parliament (MP) of the district to monitor the scheme on quarterly basis.

The States and UTs have developed dedicated mechanism for public grievance redressal, which are widely publicized and made easily accessible (like toll free call facility etc.). The nutritional norms prescribed under the Scheme are displayed at prominent place visible to common public. Further, the following information are also displayed on weekly/ monthly basis:

- Weekly menu and its ingredients
- Quantity of food grains received and utilized
- Other ingredients purchased, utilized
- Number of children provided meals.
- Roster of Community Members involved in the programme.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (F) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3457 ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026 ASKED BY HON'BLE MP DR. RAJKUMAR SANGWAN REGARDING ALLOCATION OF FOODGRAINS UNDER PM-POSHAN.

Allocation of Foodgrains under PM POSHAN Scheme during last three years

(in MTs)				
S. No.	State/ UT	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
1	Andhra Pradesh	72526.28	66450.35	61547.62
2	Arunachal Pradesh	4313.07	3948.95	3383.82
3	Assam	101161.22	103343.73	89238.00
4	Bihar	311304.40	324227.06	301148.29
5	Chhattisgarh	74330.71	73138.41	70323.81
6	Goa	4516.74	4522.84	4506.48
7	Gujarat	122671.84	121480.45	117839.94
8	Haryana	43521.93	41408.86	43469.26
9	Himachal Pradesh	15176.42	14059.43	13144.64
10	Jammu & Kashmir	21406.15	22476.70	21924.79
11	Jharkhand	90563.74	84970.08	81904.97
12	Karnataka	127408.27	132716.20	115707.65
13	Kerala	71598.86	67147.28	65534.07
14	Madhya Pradesh	135102.86	125971.57	130864.22
15	Maharashtra	262489.28	260330.25	249637.79
16	Manipur	4255.24	4809.25	4490.18
17	Meghalaya	14612.49	14661.30	16054.52
18	Mizoram	3479.36	3310.63	3085.60
19	Nagaland	3357.82	3119.31	2817.87
20	Odisha	125180.86	120222.88	128285.65
21	Punjab	52090.31	46045.78	44699.80
22	Rajasthan	171793.46	139190.39	132888.46
23	Sikkim	1185.87	1120.69	1097.77
24	Tamil Nadu	100267.70	95341.63	90476.98
25	Telangana	45078.67	35476.39	33642.19
26	Tripura	9406.44	8198.79	7735.86
27	Uttarakhand	18243.31	16515.73	14576.18
28	Uttar Pradesh	346423.21	309093.88	297399.06
29	West Bengal	292433.20	246130.60	229596.92
30	A&N islands	645.77	658.79	612.75
31	Chandigarh	1984.52	1866.35	1794.28
32	D&NH and D&D	1564.76	1697.18	1733.42
33	Delhi	29467.61	35677.20	32034.68
34	Ladakh	427.10	422.54	417.72
35	Lakshadweep	206.28	227.84	219.19
36	Puducherry	1379.54	1287.10	1172.82
Total		2681575.28	2531266.40	2415007.25

ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (F) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3457 ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026 ASKED BY HON'BLE MP DR. RAJKUMAR SANGWAN REGARDING ALLOCATION OF FOODGRAINS UNDER PM-POSHAN.

Number of Children and Foodgrains distributed in the State of Uttar Pradesh

S.No.	District	2023-24		2024-25		2025-26	
		Children	Foodgrains distributed (in MTs)	Children	Foodgrains distributed (in MTs)	Children	Foodgrains distributed (in MTs)
1	AGRA	164064	4146.483	138659	4437.142	129055	3774.789
2	ALIGARH	175304	5992.031	157676	5824.038	173527	5261.925
3	PRAGYARAJ	293950	5134.881	278207	5959.374	270213	7132.633
4	AMBEDKARNAGAR	130934	5174.854	129222	3821.456	123188	3438.660
5	AURAIYA	75747	3125.183	70142	2979.247	72573	2909.179
6	AZAMGARH	242223	7863.130	232379	6090.423	229572	6063.137
7	BADAUN	203700	3919.485	206880	3543.264	196005	5727.184
8	BAGHPAT	53136	1902.451	55708	1743.501	60795	2001.217
9	BAHRAICH	296075	7143.958	300718	7024.513	305547	7491.588
10	BALLIA	184185	4660.671	168796	4566.922	172720	4284.194
11	BALRAMPUR	152789	6643.349	148992	5258.014	145915	4410.277
12	BANDA	127911	4688.342	132166	4767.416	134965	5282.944
13	BARABANKI	202084	7224.644	204551	5498.408	211976	6968.314
14	BAREILLY	211175	5630.352	211137	5524.716	216094	6222.365
15	BASTI	136909	3987.209	125126	3176.347	123083	3080.115
16	BHADOHI	112642	5850.106	107523	4005.628	110149	2972.840
17	BIJNOR	167561	5304.156	130702	5174.612	141055	4912.031
18	BULANDSHAHR	155703	5013.570	164500	4808.680	161587	4308.066
19	CHANDAULI	133393	5947.690	126011	5547.542	122037	4800.654
20	CHITRAKOOT	90160	2915.516	91598	2561.713	86078	2230.121
21	AMETHI	107231	4163.689	102186	3646.845	101713	3083.967
22	DEORIA	166715	4755.386	168042	4584.588	160851	4352.555
23	ETAH	91153	3273.936	84103	3048.909	81803	2485.472
24	AYODHYA	130058	4856.971	118189	4237.539	114764	4407.222
25	FARRUKHABAD	114135	4051.282	114868	4018.982	108765	3956.809
26	FATEHPUR	177673	4404.097	172619	4252.626	164158	4652.905
27	FIROZABAD	101244	2992.626	103702	2727.596	100797	2868.580
28	G.B. NAGAR	52836	1322.557	55247	1806.841	56950	1602.018
29	GHAZIPUR	186696	4603.992	180257	4785.354	174547	4659.288
30	GHAZIYABAD	60285	847.770	62536	1429.777	63356	1753.798
31	GONDA	219312	5805.402	208869	5652.268	203963	4911.009
32	GORAKHPUR	200586	5141.009	189448	6805.077	193964	5415.281
33	HAMIRPUR	73664	2402.431	73690	2019.233	70680	1967.904
34	HARDOI	278540	7509.348	278554	7106.736	265771	7053.725

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S.No.	District	2023-24		2024-25		2025-26	
		Children	Foodgrains distributed	Children	Foodgrains distributed	Children	Foodgrains distributed
35	HATHRAS	77588	2265.566	84423	2249.511	79105	2222.831
36	ITAWAH	81892	2384.775	71911	2403.641	76520	2147.699
37	AMROHA	85810	2686.549	77763	2599.117	82300	3008.379
38	JALAUN	82725	2732.485	83036	2440.926	76252	2166.532
39	JAUNPUR	257292	7725.558	253439	7373.832	244334	6041.180
40	JHANSI	89250	2519.972	92307	2410.317	91221	2691.793
41	KANNAUJ	114788	2774.727	109411	3384.734	105441	3142.994
42	KANPUR DEHAT	89417	4416.505	98975	4017.486	99136	4775.846
43	KANPUR NAGAR	102895	3636.196	106714	2952.012	104190	3393.392
44	KAASGANJ	90033	2645.055	87643	2683.619	91167	2411.256
45	KAUSHAMBI	140347	3989.897	127962	3187.027	119233	3442.964
46	KUSHINAGAR	200639	6596.364	187366	5404.414	187326	4751.757
47	LAKHIMPUR KHERI	352730	10001.737	333184	8584.782	323882	8890.248
48	LALITPUR	103310	5271.977	111750	4266.834	100036	2979.330
49	LUCKNOW	141055	3602.933	126586	2753.714	118231	2907.802
50	MAHOBA	69786	2194.178	64031	2077.179	64158	1795.831
51	MAHRAJGANJ	157213	4044.844	152424	4268.116	144199	3919.800
52	MAINPURI	97100	2959.866	85698	1736.167	93999	3283.544
53	MATHURA	99658	1896.932	93804	2144.452	93960	2142.798
54	MAU	106413	3138.500	94494	3253.578	112228	3172.804
55	MEERUT	91253	2884.968	92343	2966.006	91304	2604.869
56	MIRZAPUR	191009	7084.152	198083	6460.550	182982	6538.302
57	MORADABAD	107294	3304.055	108537	3324.384	107533	2964.090
58	MUZAFFARNAGAR	90745	2746.878	96548	2910.895	101112	2913.632
59	PILIBHIT	121000	4334.532	113386	3809.741	118568	3737.709
60	PRATAPGARH	168640	4431.803	150933	4269.306	154383	4370.273
61	RAE BARELI	176630	4405.009	143234	4279.890	132862	3832.035
62	RAMPUR	116556	2910.793	105313	2715.018	102975	3000.654
63	SAHARANPUR	144469	4882.328	142357	4961.350	141505	4507.337
64	SANT KABIR NAGAR	94252	3438.350	88642	2749.301	90153	2478.910
65	SHAHJAHANPUR	223419	6423.535	228651	5359.738	211598	5602.741
66	SHRAWASTI	98829	4720.236	106455	4507.628	110561	3620.299
67	SIDDHARTH NAGAR	199536	4341.072	176747	4734.320	184523	4995.780
68	SITAPUR	355996	9248.635	357128	8956.109	337066	9861.088
69	SONBHADRA	159105	4102.828	167402	4466.803	166354	4494.224
70	SULTANPUR	157441	4005.858	144176	3943.905	146659	3975.930
71	UNNAO	156274	4770.400	146518	4236.437	150497	4026.563
72	VARANASI	183105	6840.579	153739	4930.235	171919	5358.992
73	SAMBHAL	108152	2603.795	115510	2932.319	124964	3276.408
74	HAPUR	45649	1733.710	44034	1772.332	42848	1422.173
75	SHAMLI	57137	1986.829	54921	1872.534	54890	1700.407