

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

**RAJYA SABHA**  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1371  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2021

**IMPLEMENTATION OF PMGKAY DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

1371 SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA:

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

- (a) the details of funds set out for the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) since its inception, till date;
- (b) the details regarding implementation of PMGKAY during COVID-19 pandemic; and
- (c) the number of beneficiaries of PMGKAY in 2020?

**A N S W E R**  
MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD &  
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
(SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO)

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(a): Under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojna (PMGKAY), additional allocation of food-grain @ 5 kg per person per month was made by Govt of India for all the beneficiaries covered under Targetted Public Distribution Systyem (TPDS) for a period of 8 months i.e April-November, 2020. Under the said scheme, about 322 Lakh Metric Tons (LMT) of food-grains were allotted to States/UTs for free of cost distribution entailing financial implications of approximately Rs. 122123 Crore.

(b): Under the PMGKAY, allocation of food grains was done to the beneficiaries covered under the TPDS (Antodaya Anna Yojna and Priority Households) including those covered under Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) across all 36 States/UTs, during COVID-19 pandemic. About 297.5 Lakh MT (i.e approx 93%) foodgrains have been distributed to NFSA beneficiaries under this scheme.

(c): Allocation was done for around 80.43 Crore beneficiaries under PMGKAY during April-November, 2020.

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