

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 546
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD JULY, 2021

READINESS OF ONE NATION ONE RATION CARD SCHEME

546 SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

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

- (a) whether One Nation, One Ration Card (ONORC) programme for distributing cheap foodgrain to the beneficiaries under the National Food Security Act is fully ready in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R
MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSUMER
AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) to (b): At present the One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) plan for nation-wide portability of ration cards under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), 2013 to empower all NFSA beneficiaries, particularly migrant beneficiaries to lift their entitled foodgrains from any Fair Price Shop (FPS) of their choice in the country, by using their same existing ration card with biometric authentication on an electronic Point of Sale (ePoS) device, is enabled in a total of 32 States/UTs covering almost 86% NFSA population (around 69 Crore NFSA beneficiaries) in the country. Further, regular follow-ups have been done with 4 remaining States/UT of Assam, Chhattisgarh, Delhi and West Bengal to enable the ONORC plan for the benefit of NFSA beneficiaries.
