

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.726
TO BE ANSWERED ON 8TH DECEMBER, 2023

PERFORMANCE OF STATES IN THE NFSA PROGRAM

726 DR. SASMIT PATRA:

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

- (a) the details of the performance of States in the implementation of the National Food Security Act (NFSA) program under various parameters;
- (b) the details of the best practices of States observed in the implementation of the NFSA program; and
- (c) the details of the performance of the State of Odisha in the implementation of the NFSA program?

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MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) & (b): The Central Government, in order to remove the financial burden of the poor beneficiaries and to ensure nationwide uniformity and effective implementation of the National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA) has decided to continue to provide free food grains to about 81.35 crore beneficiaries (i.e. Antyodaya Anna Yojana households which constitute poorest of the poor and Priority Households beneficiaries) under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) for a period of five years with effect from 1st January, 2024.

The PMGKAY is being successfully implemented in all the States/UTs. Against the intended coverage of 81.35 crore beneficiaries, about 80.48 crore beneficiaries have been identified by the States/UTs under the PMGKAY. A statement indicating the State/UT-wise intended coverage and the present coverage is at **Annexure**.

States/UT Governments are free to adopt best practices from better performing States/UTs under its overall architecture.

(c): The PMGKAY is being successfully implemented in the State of Odisha. At present, the State Government has identified 325.03 lakh beneficiaries which is about 99.64% of the intended coverage i.e. 326.21 lakh persons, determined for the State of Odisha.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PART (a) & (b) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 726 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 08.12.2023 REGARDING “PERFORMANCE OF STATES IN THE NFSA PROGRAM”.

Statement indicating the State/UT-wise intended coverage and the present coverage

| Sl. No. | States/ UTs | NFSA impl. month | Accepted No. of persons under NFSA (in lakh) | Present coverage (In lakh) | % of intended coverage |
|---------|-------------------|------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | Dec-15 | 268.23 | 268.22 | 100.00% |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | Apr-16 | 8.71 | 8.40 | 96.48% |
| 3 | Assam | Dec-15 | 251.90 | 251.17 | 99.71% |
| 4 | Bihar | Mar-14 | 871.16 | 871.16 | 100.00% |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | Jan-14 | 200.77 | 200.77 | 100.00% |
| 6 | Delhi | Oct-13 | 72.78 | 72.78 | 100.00% |
| 7 | Goa | Dec-15 | 5.32 | 5.32 | 100.00% |
| 8 | Gujarat | Apr-16 | 382.84 | 351.60 | 91.84% |
| 9 | Haryana | Sep-13 | 126.49 | 126.49 | 100.00% |
| 10 | Himachal Pradesh | Oct-13 | 36.82 | 28.64 | 77.80% |
| 11 | Jharkhand | Oct-15 | 264.25 | 264.19 | 99.98% |
| 12 | Karnataka | Jan-14 | 401.93 | 401.93 | 100.00% |
| 13 | Kerala | Nov-16 | 154.80 | 154.80 | 100.00% |
| 14 | Madhya Pradesh | Mar-14 | 546.42 | 534.79 | 97.87% |
| 15 | Maharashtra | Feb-14 | 700.17 | 700.17 | 100.00% |
| 16 | Manipur | Apr-16 | 25.06 | 20.08 | 80.14% |
| 17 | Meghalaya | Feb-16 | 21.46 | 21.46 | 100.00% |
| 18 | Mizoram | Mar-16 | 7.06 | 6.83 | 96.71% |
| 19 | Nagaland | Jul-16 | 14.79 | 14.05 | 94.98% |
| 20 | Odisha | Nov-15 | 326.21 | 325.03 | 99.64% |
| 21 | Punjab | Dec-13 | 141.51 | 141.51 | 100.00% |
| 22 | Rajasthan | Oct-13 | 446.62 | 440.01 | 98.52% |
| 23 | Sikkim | Jan-16 | 4.06 | 3.81 | 93.91% |
| 24 | Tamil Nadu | Nov-16 | 364.70 | 364.12 | 99.84% |
| 25 | Telangana | Oct-15 | 191.70 | 191.62 | 99.96% |
| 26 | Tripura | Sep-15 | 25.02 | 24.43 | 97.65% |
| 27 | Uttar Pradesh | Jan-16 | 1520.61 | 1503.77 | 98.89% |
| 28 | Uttarakhand | Oct-15 | 61.94 | 61.94 | 100.00% |
| 29 | West Bengal | Jun-15 | 601.84 | 601.84 | 100.00% |
| 30 | A&N | Mar-16 | 0.63 | 0.61 | 96.61% |
| 31 | DNH&DD | Nov-15 | 3.56 | 2.69 | 75.60% |

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| 32 | Lakshadweep | Aug-15 | 0.22 | 0.22 | 99.06% |
| 33 | Chandigarh (DBT) | Feb-14 | 4.96 | 2.99 | 60.28% |
| 34 | Puducherry (DBT) | Sep-15 | 6.34 | 6.34 | 99.99% |
| 35 | J&K | Feb-16 | 72.69 | 72.41 | 99.61% |
| 36 | Ladakh | Feb-16 | 1.44 | 1.44 | 99.99% |
| Total | | | 8135.01 | 8047.64 | 98.93% |
