

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 165
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2nd February, 2021**

BENEFICIARIES UNDER PMGKAY

165. SHRIMATI MALA ROY:

DR. T. SUMATHY (A) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

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

- (a) the number of beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana, State/UT-wise;**
- (b) whether the scheme has been discontinued beyond November 2020, despite the vaccine still being undertrial, and if so, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) whether the Government undertook any study to determine that the scheme was not needed anymore by the citizens before discontinuation;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (e) whether the Government has undertaken any study/survey to assess the situation of the citizens affected due to the discontinuation;**
- (f) the details of buffer stock lying with the FCI in 2020, month wise; and**
- (g) whether the Government has any plans to extend the Scheme till the vaccine is distributed to the public and if so, the details thereof?**

A N S W E R

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD &
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO)**

(a): The State/UT-wise no. of beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana is at Annexure-I.

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(b) to (d): In pursuance of the pro-poor announcement made under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package as part of the Economic Response to COVID-19, Govt of India had launched scheme for additional allocation of food-grains from the Central Pool @ 5 kg per person per month free of cost for all the beneficiaries covered under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) (AAY & PHH) including those covered under DBT for a period of 3 months i.e April-June, 2020. The above PMGKAY scheme was extended for a further period of 5 months i.e. July – November, 2020 @ 5 kg per person per month free of cost for all the beneficiaries covered under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS)/National Food Security Act (NFSA). The entire expenditure under the scheme was borne by Government of India without any share from States/UTs. The entitlement of foodgrains under PMGKAY was in addition to their normal entitlement under the NFSA.

(e): No Sir.

(f): Month-wise details are at Annexure-II.

(g): No such proposal at present.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 165 FOR ANSWER ON 02.02.2021 IN THE LOK SABHA

State-wise no. of beneficiaries under PM Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana

SN	States/UTs	*No. of beneficiaries under PMGKAY (in Lakh)
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0.61
2	Andhra Pradesh	268.23
3	Arunachal Pradesh	8.21
4	Assam	251.53
5	Bihar	871.16
6	Chandigarh	2.79
7	Chhattisgarh	200.77
8	Daman & Diu D&NH	2.88
9	Delhi	72.73
10	Goa	5.32
11	Gujarat	382.54
12	Haryana	126.49
13	Himachal Pradesh	28.64
14	Jammu And Kashmir	72.41
15	Jharkhand	263.70
16	Karnataka	401.93
17	Kerala	154.8
18	Ladakh	1.44
19	Lakshadweep	0.22
20	Madhya Pradesh	546.42
21	Maharashtra	700.17
22	Manipur	24.67
23	Meghalaya	21.46
24	Mizoram	6.68
25	Nagaland	14.05
26	Odisha	323.60
27	Puducherry	6.34
28	Punjab	141.45
29	Rajasthan	446.62
30	Sikkim	3.79
31	Tamil Nadu	357.34
32	Telangana	191.62
33	Tripura	25.02
34	Uttar Pradesh	1453.95
35	Uttarakhand	61.94
36	West Bengal	601.84
	Total	8043.36

***Based on latest coverage under PMGKAY**
