Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Request to include 7 lakh Odia labourers from Ganjam districts in Public Distribution System.

*SHRIMATI PRAMILA BISOYI (ASKA): Sir, I thank you for giving me this opportunity to raise an important issue. At the outset I welcome the initiative of the Central Government to launch 'One Nation, One Ration Card' scheme to ensure food security to all. In my state, the Government had issued 'Rations Cards' to beneficiaries, especially labourers to have additional rations. Sir, from Ganjam district around 7 lakh Odia labourers have been working in Surat, Gujrat. They are working in different small, medium & large enterprises. These people are away from their native place and facing lots of difficulties to obtain ration. After examining the situation there, I want to draw your kind attention to their problem and requesting the Central Government to include them in the Public Distribution System. Sir, through you I am requesting the Hon. Minister to take steps for the distribution of additional ration for these Odia families residing in Surat.