

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1908  
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ANTYODAYA ANNA YOJANA  
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**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details regarding the financial and physical status of implementation of Antyodaya Anna Yojana during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the foodgrains could not be distributed to special red and yellow card holders under Antyodaya Anna Yojana in some areas including Bihar due to the non-allocation of funds and foodgrains by the Union Government;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the number of special AAY cards, and foodgrains issued alongwith the funds released during the last three years and the current year?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a)to(d): Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) was launched in December, 2000 for one crore poorest of the poor families among BPL families. Subsequently this scheme has been expanded thrice to cover additional 50 lakh families each time. Identification of eligible AAY families and issuing of distinctive Ration Cards to them is the responsibility of concerned State/UT Governments. Detailed guidelines were issued for this purpose, at the time of its initial launching and subsequent expansions.

The State/UT Governments have identified and issued ration cards to 2.43 crore AAY families. A Statement showing year-wise number of AAY families during the last three years and current year is enclosed as Annex-I.

For these 2.43 crore AAY families, foodgrains are allocated to all States & UTs @ 35 kg per family per month at a highly subsidized prices of Rs.2/- per kg. for wheat and Rs.3/- per kg. for rice.

Details of allocations of foodgrains to all States/UTs for AAY and their offtake for the last three years & current year are as under:

(in lakh tons)  
Year Foodgrains (Wheat & Rice)  
Allocation Offtake

2006-07	93.69	86.62
2007-08	100.97	94.39
2008-09	101.96	95.25
2009-10	101.96	49.04

(upto Sept., 2009)