

Press Conference of Secretary, Food & Public Distribution

Announcement of free-foodgrains under PMGKAY for two months (May and June 2021)



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Announcement

In wake of COVID-19 outbreak in the country, the Hon'ble Prime Minister has announced the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (for 2 months May-June 2021) aimed at ameliorating the hardships of poor due to various economic disruptions caused by the pandemic.

Additional allocation of foodgrains @ 5Kg /person /month free of cost for about **80 Crore** **NFSA** beneficiaries *over and above regular NFSA foodgrains*.

around 9.74 Crore AAY beneficiaries and 70.13 Crore PHH beneficiaries to get benefit.

about **80 Lakh MT** foodgrains to be distributed during 2 Months of **May and June 2021**.
(Monthly, about **40 LMT** of foodgrains).

Under this scheme Govt of India will bear the full expenditure of over **Rs 26,000 Crore**

Food Security Measures in 2020

KAY

of **Economic Response to COVID -19**, Govt of India had launched 'Prime Minister Garib Kalya PMGKAY)' scheme for additional allocation of food-grains from the Central Pool @ **5 kg per per free of cost** for all the beneficiaries covered under the Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) and holders (PHH) categories of the National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA).

me	Allocation	Financial Implication	Offtake	Distribution
KAY- 2020 I – Nov'20)	322.51 Lakh MT	1,22,123 Crore	304.81 Lakh MT	298.89 La (93% of alloc

Valuable Feedback about PMGKAY & NFSA

An independent survey conducted by Dalberg (**Commissioned by Ministry of Finance**) has shown a **very high level of satisfaction among the beneficiaries** with regards to distribution of grains under the PM-GKAY and NFSA during the COVID-19 crisis.

Another study conducted by **Microsave Consulting (Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation funded)** in 8 districts across 18 States/UTs has also shown that an avg. of **94%** households have received free ration on monthly basis during the crisis. Further, there was a high level of awareness about 97% regarding PM-GKAY distribution and the entitlement thereof .

Chief Ministers while requesting for the extension of the scheme beyond June, have appreciated the decision to provide free foodgrain under PM-GKAY.

Requests received from Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Kerala, Uttarakhand etc. for relief on lines of PM-GKAY.

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uncements at the Highest/ National level resulting in high visibility up to Fair Price Shop(FPS).

ous Oversight at every stage of entire Supply Chain(FCI Depot →State godown→Fair Price Shops).

leading role and efforts/co-operations provided by State agencies/FPS dealers to meet the pandemic challenge.

uate availability of foodgrains stock in the Central Pool

g support from IT-driven reforms, like:

Digitised database of ration cards/beneficiaries and bio-metric authentication (about 80% in March'21).

ePoS devices enabled network of nearly **4.95 Lakh** of total 5.38 Lakh FPSs (92%) for transparency and rightful targeting of beneficiaries.

End-to-End **Computerization** of TPDS operations including the computerisation of Supply Chain Management etc. in the States/UTs.

Online monitoring of NFSA,PMGKAY distribution through Annavitran Portal.

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS DURING DISTRIBUTION OF FOODGRAIN



Social Distancing



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Hand Hygiene & Disinfect



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