

FOOD CORPORATION OF INDIA WEST ZONE

PRESS NOTE

The Food Corporation of India, West Zone Comprises of State of Maharashtra, Goa, Gujarat, Daman & Diu and DNH, Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh. GOI has announced the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Ann Yojana (PMGKAY) to give 05 Kg of food grains/person free of cost during the Covid 19 pandemic.

PMGKAY has been divided into four phases. The first two phases commencing from April 2020 to November 2020 were completed successfully in the year 2020 itself as per the details given below;

PMGKAY – I & II

| Sr. no. | Regions under FCI west Zone | Wheat (in MT) | | | Rice (in MT) | | |
|---------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------|--------------|-----------|--------|
| | | Allocation | Off take | % | Allocation | Off take | % |
| 1 | Maharashtra | 9,82,163 | 9,04,252 | 92.07 | 18,01,675 | 15,67,581 | 87.01 |
| 2 | Goa | - | - | - | 20,599 | 20,599 | 100.00 |
| 3 | Gujarat | 9,06,436 | 9,06,437 | 100 | 3,89,017 | 3,88,500 | 99.86 |
| 4 | Daman & Diu and DNH | 1,530 | 1,530 | 100 | 9,425 | 9,425 | 100.00 |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | - | - | - | 8,03,080 | 7,99,913 | 99.61 |
| 6 | Madhya Pradesh | 11,47,273 | 10,18,051 | 88.74 | 10,38,198 | 9,63,311 | 92.79 |
| | West Zone Total | 30,37,402 | 28,30,270 | 93.18 | 40,61,994 | 37,49,329 | 92.30 |

The third phase of PMGKAY commenced in the current year from May 2021 to June 2021 and completed successfully. The details of the same are as under;

PMGKAY – III & IV

| Sr. no. | Regions under FCI west Zone | Wheat (in MT) PMGKAY - III | | | Rice (In MT) for PMGKAY - III | | | Allocation (in MT) for PMGKAY IV | |
|---------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|--------|-------------------------------|----------|--------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| | | Allocation | Off take | % | Allocation | Off take | % | Wheat | Rice |
| 1 | Maharashtra | 392865 | 367652 | 93.58 | 3,07,304 | 2,56,155 | 83.36 | 9,82,159 | 7,68,258 |
| 2 | Goa | - | - | - | 5,322 | 5,322 | 100.00 | - | 13,305 |
| 3 | Gujarat | 239199 | 239200 | 100.00 | 102514 | 102514 | 100.00 | 5,97,999 | 2,56,285 |
| 4 | Daman & Diu and DNH | 593 | 593 | 100.00 | 2097 | 2096 | 100.00 | 1,316 | 4,599 |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | - | - | - | 200770 | 200770 | 100.00 | - | 5,01,925 |
| 6 | Madhya Pradesh | 482620 | 474249 | 98.27 | - | - | - | 9,04,845 | 3,01,615 |
| | West Zone Total | 11,15,277 | 10,81,694 | 96.99 | 6,18,007 | 5,66,857 | 91.72 | 24,86,320 | 18,45,987 |

The Allocations of food grains have been made by GOI for the next phase starting from July 2021 to Nov. 2021 and offtake of the same has also started in the regions as per the requirements.

Procurement of food grains during Rabi Marketing Season 2021-22;

In FCI West Zone, States mostly being the DCP states, the procurement and preservation work of food grains is being done by state agencies. The details of the food grains procured during RMS 2021-22 is as under;

| Sr. no. | Region | Commodity | MSP in Rs. /Qtl. | Procurement Target in LMT | Actual Procurement in LMT | Period of Procurement | Extn granted by GOI | No. of Farmers benefitted |
|---------|----------------|-----------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | Maharashtra | Wheat | 1975 | 0.053* | 0.0129 | 01.05.21-30.06.21 | - | 359 |
| | | Chana | 5100 | 6.17 | 0.057 | Feb 2021-May 2021 | Till 25.06.21 | 4210 |
| 2 | Gujarat | Wheat | 1975 | 2.00* | 1.66 | 16.03.21-31.05.21 | Till 30.06.21 | 34160 |
| 3 | Chhattisgarh | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4 | Madhya Pradesh | Wheat | 1975 | 135.00 | 128.08 | 15.03.21-15.06.21 | - | 1724218 |

There is no procurement of crops during RMS in Chhattisgarh state. However, 30.76 LMT CMR has been received as on 30.06.2021 in the state.

Due to ongoing Covid pandemic, to achieve the procurement targets and to provide maximum benefit of MSP to the farmers, extension in the procurement period has been granted to many states by the GOI as per details given above. In addition, in Maharashtra region paddy (rabi crop) procurement has been extended from June 2021 to July 2021. Also, in the state of Maharashtra and Gujarat, the procurement targets of Wheat have been increased from 0.003 LMT to 0.053 LMT & 1.50 LMT to 2.00 LMT respectively. Throughout the Procurement Operations all safety norms to prevent spread of Covid 19 are being implemented in the best possible manner.

Procurement of food grains during Kharif Marketing Season 2020-21;

During Kharif Marketing Season 2020-21, 37.26 LMT paddy is procured in MP region, 13.54 MT procured in Maharashtra Region, 59.35 LMT procured in Chhattisgarh region and 1.10 LMT procured in Gujarat.

Measures taken to safeguard the health of employees;

During the ongoing COVID pandemic, every possible measure is being taken by the management for the health safety of the FCI employees working in the field as well as offices under the regions. **Regular sanitization of the working premises** is being done and **adequate amount of safety aids** i.e. Hand Sanitizer, Mask, Thermo-guns and gloves are being provided to the employees. As on 30.06.2021, **10096 Lit of Hand Sanitizer, 69892 Masks, 26684 pairs of gloves and 121 thermo-guns** have been distributed to FCI work force working in the zone to combat this pandemic crisis.