

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2610
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH DECEMBER, 2024

**ISSUANCE OF RATION CARDS UNDER ONE NATION
ONE RATION CARD SCHEME**

2610. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT:

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 ration cards that have been issued under the One Nation One Ration Card scheme, during 2023-24, State-wise specially in Bihar;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the discrepancy in terms of registering ration card holders under the scheme; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken to address the same?

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MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS,
FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRIMATI NIMUBEN JAYANTIBHAI BAMBHANIYA)

(a) to (c): One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) is an initiative & feature implemented in all 36 States/UTs (including State of Bihar) in the country & applicable to all Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) ration cardholders. It is not a separate scheme. With ONORC feature, all PMGKAY beneficiaries can lift their entitled foodgrains from any Fair Price Shop (FPS) of their choice, anywhere in the country, by using their same existing ration card with biometric authentication on an electronic Point of Sale (ePoS) device. The family back home can also lift the part of the PMGKAY foodgrains in the home State/UT on the same ration card. For ONORC feature, PMGKAY beneficiaries are not required to register for any new ration card.
