

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1693
ANSWERED ON:05.12.2005
ANTYODAYA ANNA YOJANA
Bhakta Shri Manoranjan

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce Antyodaya Anna Yojana for the Below Poverty Line families in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands in view of the slow progress of relief and rehabilitation work in the aftermath of Tsunami disaster;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) & (b): The Andaman & Nicobar Administration has intimated that Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) cards valid up to February, 2006 were issued to all the Tsunami affected families, covering 13,762 families. The Administration has further decided to extend this facility up to December, 2006.

(c): Does not arise.