



**Government of Jammu and Kashmir**  
**Department of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs**  
**Civil Secretariat: Jammu/Srinagar**

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Subject: - Inclusion of children born after Census-2011, upto 2016 and other left out beneficiaries, if any, in Public Distribution System.

Government Order No. **47**-JK(FCS&CA) of 2024  
Dated: **14**-08-2024.

**WHEREAS**, in order to streamline the existing Public Distribution System in Jammu and Kashmir, the Department of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs has notified "Jammu & Kashmir Food Security Rules, 2021" vide S.O 389 dated 16.11.2021 for defining various groups of beneficiaries and has also notified "Jammu & Kashmir Targeted Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2023" for regulating distribution of foodgrains, ration cards and other connected matters;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Department is presently providing coverage to 66.18 lac beneficiaries under AAY & Priority Households (PHH) group and to another 32.46 lac beneficiaries in the Non Priority Households (NPHH) group;

**AND WHEREAS**, every household in AAY group is eligible to receive 35 kgs of foodgrains per ration card per month free of cost and each beneficiary of the Priority Household (PHH) group is eligible to receive 5 kgs of food grains every month free of cost;

**AND WHEREAS**, in the Non Priority Households (NPHH) group, the beneficiaries are provided food grains at a scale of 5 kgs per person per month at highly affordable and subsidized rate, rice for Rs. 15/kg, wheat for Rs.12/kg and wheat flour for Rs.13/kg;

**AND WHEREAS**, in recent times, the Department has pursued reforms and made use of technology in the Public Distribution System to make the system clean, convenient and transparent;

**AND WHEREAS**, through Aadhaar Seeding, e-KYC completion and deduplication of beneficiaries, the Department has been able to weed out a large number of bogus/ duplicate beneficiaries, consequent upon which some targets under NFSA and NPHH assigned by the Department of Food & Public Distribution, Government of India to Jammu and Kashmir, have become available to the Department for considering inclusion of new beneficiaries in the Public Distribution System;

**AND WHEREAS**, in view of availability of this cushion now, the Department has decided to include the children born during 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 & 2016 and eligible left out residents of J&K, if any, in their AAY, PHH, NPHH or Exclusion family cards/Households as the case may be, to further augment food requirements of the general public. Further, the Planning Development & Monitoring Department, J&K, has conveyed that nearly nine (09) lac births of children have been registered in Jammu & Kashmir from 2011 to 2016.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby ordered:-

- i. To include children born during 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016, in Public Distribution System in their respective AAY, PHH, NPHH or Exclusion family cards/ households, as the case may be.
- ii. To include eligible left out residents of Jammu and Kashmir, if any, in Public Distribution System, if not covered yet.
- iii. To issue separate ration cards to the children falling in above mentioned age group, in the cases where both their parents are deceased. Such ration cards shall be issued preferably in the name of female member, if available, as the ration card holder. In the event of non availability of such female member in the household, the elder male child shall be the ration card holder.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

(Zubair Ahmad)JKAS,

**Commissioner/Secretary to the Government**

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Dated:14-08-2024.

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1. Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution, Government of India.



2. Principal Secretary to the Government, Finance Department.
3. Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K.
4. Joint Secretary (J&K), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.
5. Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, General Administration Department.
6. Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir/Jammu.
7. All Deputy Commissioners.
8. Director Information, J&K.
9. Director, Department of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, Kashmir/Jammu.
10. Director, Archives, Archaeology and Museums, J&K.
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