

Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir
Consumer Affairs & Public Distribution Department
Civil Secretariat, Srinagar, J&K.

Subject:- Updation/identification of beneficiaries under Annapurna Scheme.

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In order to provide food security to those citizens who have remained uncovered under the National Old Age Pension Scheme (NOAPS) despite being eligible for the scheme, the Annapurna Scheme was started by Government of India to provide 10 Kgs of food-grains per month to them free of cost in the year 2002.

Since inception, the beneficiaries covered under the scheme in J&K are 10220 (5570 in Kashmir Div. and 4560 in Jammu Div.) without any change and no efforts have been made since then to update the list.

In order to update the existing list of beneficiaries under the scheme, it is impressed upon all the Deputy Commissioners of J&K to conduct the fresh survey to identify the beneficiaries to be included/excluded under the Annapurna Scheme and submit the report to CAPD Department within 15 days from the date of issuance of this Circular, so that the genuine beneficiaries can avail the free of cost food-grains under the scheme. The Assistant Directors of CAPD of the concerned district shall co-ordinate with Deputy Commissioners in this exercise.

The Eligibility Criteria under the scheme shall be as under:

Central assistant under the scheme will be provided to the beneficiaries fulfilling the following criteria

- a) The age of the applicant (male or female) should be 65 years or above.
- b) The applicant must be "destitute" in the sense of having little or no regular means of subsistence from his/her own source of income or through financial support from family members or other source. In order to determine destitution, the criteria (if any) currently in force in the state could also be followed.

- c) The applicant should not be in receipt of pension under the NOAPS (National Old Age Pension Scheme) or State Pension Scheme.
- d) The beneficiary should not be AAY/BPL category ration card holder.



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