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# One Nation, One Ration Card: 400 families benefit in K'taka

## 2,112 cardholders across country have availed of benefits

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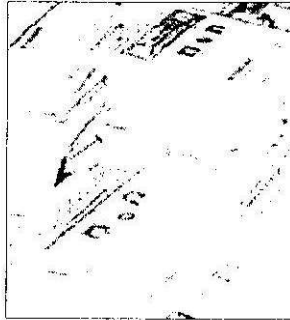
The wheels of 'One Nation, One Ration Card' are already in motion and more than 400 families from different states have availed food grains in Karnataka.

The number of states under the scheme - where residents of one state can receive grains in another state by producing their ration cards - is now 18 and more states are being

added. Karnataka and Maharashtra are among the states with a significant number of cardholders from other states benefiting from the scheme.

Data from the Integrated Management of Public Distribution System (IMPDS) of the Central government shows that a total of 2,112 ration cardholders from different states have availed the benefits till date, a majority of them Priority Household (PHH) cardholders.

A majority of the cardhold-



MONTH	AAY CARD	PHH CARD
April	25	172
May	18	128
June	17	135
July	57	399
August	37	317

\*AAY- Anthyodaya  
PHH - Priority Household

Under 'One Nation One Ration Card' scheme, residents of one state can receive ration in another state by producing their ration cards. DH FILE PHOTO

ers who benefited in Karnataka were from neighbouring states such as Kerala, Telangana, Goa and Tamil Nadu. However, there are also a few cases where residents from north Indian states such as

Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan receiving rations, according to the IMPDS dashboard. In the month of August, for instance, 91 card holders from Kerala, 246 from Goa, 12 from Telangana, three from Uttar

Pradesh and two from Daman and Diu availed grains under PDS in Karnataka.

MC Gangadhara, Joint Director (IT), Food and Civil Supplies Department, told DH that only such ration cards which are linked to Aadhaar can benefit from the scheme. Remaining states are expected to complete the process soon, after which a ration card can be used anywhere in the country, he said.

A trial for the scheme was held in October last year, when a few residents of Dakshina Kannada in Karnataka were made to avail grains from Kasargod district in Kerala and vice versa. Similar trials were held between Goa, Telangana and Tamil Nadu, before the scheme went functional from March this year.