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#### **ORDER**

Sub: Launch of Portal-Based Facility for Planning Distributorship Vacancies across the State.

In continuation of this Department's Order No. 2059-FS/Sectt./Sup/4M-77/18 (Pt.) dated 29.05.2025 regarding rationalization of the number of FPS Dealers and tagged Digital Ration Cards (DRCs) with Distributors, and in terms of the recommendations of the Committee constituted vide Order No. 4016-FS/Sectt./Sup/4M-77/18 (Pt.) dated 04.10.2024, a dedicated portal-based facility for planning Distributor vacancies has been developed.

To facilitate the District Controllers, Joint Directors, and Deputy Directors in planning new vacancies in accordance with rationalization norms, a dedicated module has been made live on the Department's website <a href="http://food.wb.gov.in">http://food.wb.gov.in</a>.

This module enables:

- Planning of fresh/resultant Distributor vacancies at Sub-Division level.
- Block/Municipality-wise and Distributor-wise analysis of tagged FPS and DRC population.
- Consolidated view of proposed FPSs and allocations for each planned vacancy.
- Finalization and report generation for use by Directorate and Secretariat-level officers.

The **Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)** for use of this module has been prepared and released as **Version 1.0 dated 11.07.2025**, and is enclosed herewith for reference and strict compliance.

All concerned officials at the district and sub-control levels are hereby directed to use the module henceforth for any vacancy planning related to Distributors. The Directorate and Secretariat officials may regularly monitor such plans and take necessary steps based on the finalized proposals.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Enclosure: SOP on Planning a Distributor Vacancy (Version 1.0, Dated 11.07.2025).

Yours faithfully,

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Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

- 1. The Senior Special Secretary, Food & Supplies Department.
- 2. The Special Secretary (IT & Reforms), Food & Supplies Department.
- 3. The Director, Directorate of DDP&S/Rationing/Finance/Consumer Goods/I&QC.
- 4. The DCF&S/DDR (All).

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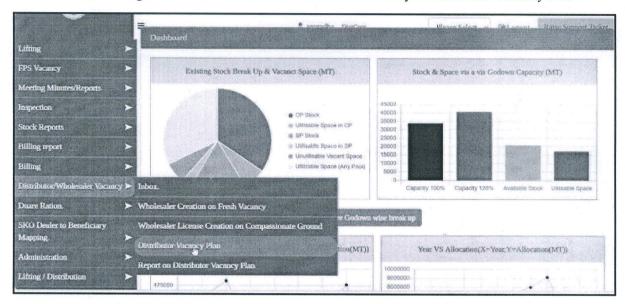
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The Department has issued guidelines for rationalization of the number of FPS Dealers and Digital Ration Cards with Distributors through declaration of new vacancies or merger of neighbouring FPSs with the Distributors vide no. 2059-FS/Sectt./Sup/4M-77/18(Pt) dated 29.05.25. To facilitate the DCF&Ss and JDRs/DDRs in envisaging the creation of new Distributorship vacancies, a module in <a href="http://food.wb.gov.in/has been made live">http://food.wb.gov.in/has been made live</a>. The workflow will be as given below:

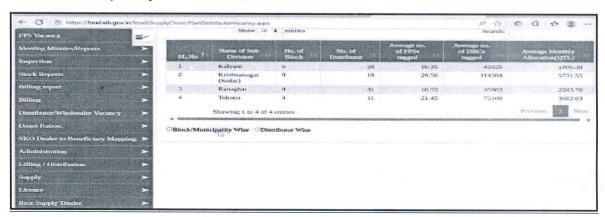
#### DCF&S/JDR/DDR Login

1. The user will go to the menu 'Distributor/Wholesaler Vacancy'>'Distributor Vacancy Plan'.



- 2. On clicking this menu, a subdivision-wise summary report is displayed in grid format. The grid includes details such as the name of the subdivision, number of blocks under the subdivision, number of distributors currently operating, average number of Fair Price Shops (FPSs) tagged to each distributor, average number of Digital Ration Cards (DRCs) tagged, and the average monthly allocation in quintals. At the bottom of the grid, there are two filter options provided in the form of radio buttons:
- Block/Municipality Wise
- Distributor Wise

These options enable the DCF&S to view and filter data based on either a specific block/municipality or an individual distributor. This allows for detailed analysis and identification of areas where planning for a distributor vacancy is required.



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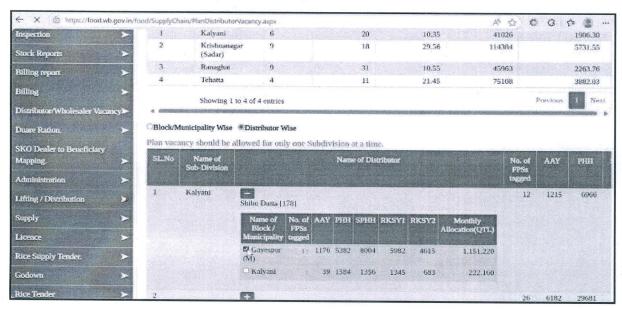
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3. When the 'Block/Municipality Wise' view is selected, a report appears showing details of existing Distributors under each block or municipality. The grid displays information such as subdivision name, block/municipality name, distributor name, number of FPSs tagged, and DRC counts under AAY, PHH, SPHH, RKSY1, and RKSY2 schemes. The number shown under 'No. of FPSs Tagged' is hyperlinked, and clicking it opens the list of all FPSs tagged to that particular Distributor where distance of each Dealer from the Distributor can also be found. This view is helpful to have a bird's eye view on presence and volume of Distributors in each block.

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- 4. On selecting the 'Distributor-wise view', distributor-wise details under the selected subdivision will be displayed, showing FPS count in each block/municipality and allocation. The count in the 'No. of FPSs Tagged' column is hyperlinked to the list of tagged FPSs. This view is helpful to see presence and volume each Distributor has in different blocks.
- 5. Planning a Distributorship vacancy can be done for only one Sub-Division at a time. The DCF&S/JDR/DDR can select multiple blocks/municipalities within a Sub-Division from the source Distributor to constitute the planned vacancy.



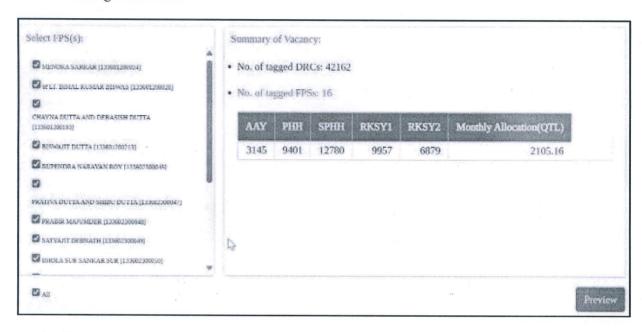




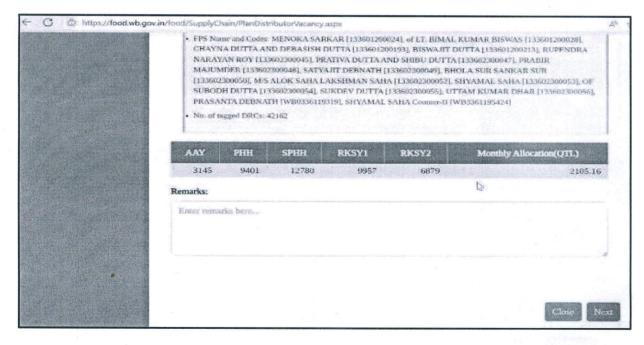
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6. When blocks/municipalities are selected from the source Distributor, a consolidated vacancy summary appears showing total tagged FPSs, total DRCs, category-wise allocation, and monthly allocation. All the FPSs within the selected block/municipality will by default be shown in the planned vacancy. The user can uncheck FPSs to unselect them if he wants to retain them with the existing Distributor.



7. On clicking the 'Preview' button, a list of the selected FPSs with category-wise DRCS and allocation are displayed in a pop-up screen. Remarks must be entered before clicking the 'Next' button to proceed.



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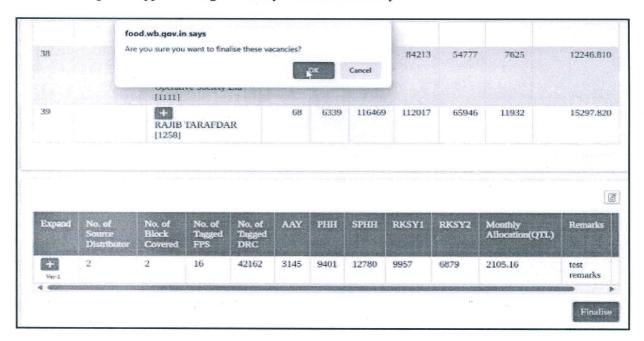




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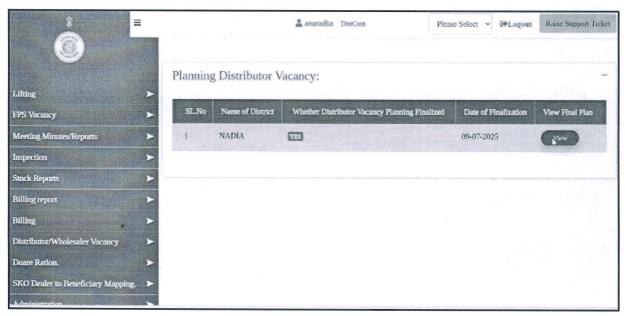
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8. The user can plan as many vacancies this way which will add up in the following list as Vacancy 1, Vacancy 2 and so on. All summarised details will be shown in this grid. This can be downloaded in pdf. When he feels all the possible vacancies in the entire district/ sub-control have been covered in the plan, he will click the 'Finalise' button. On clicking 'OK' in the alert pop-up, a confirmation message will appear stating: "Vacancy created successfully."



#### DCFS/JDR/DDR, Directorate and Secretariat Level User Login

9. After finalization, the DCF&S/JDR/DDR and the officials above him i.e. Directorate level and Secretariat level users can see the 'Report on Distributor Vacancy Plan'. The user needs to click the 'View' button to see the complete finalized plan.

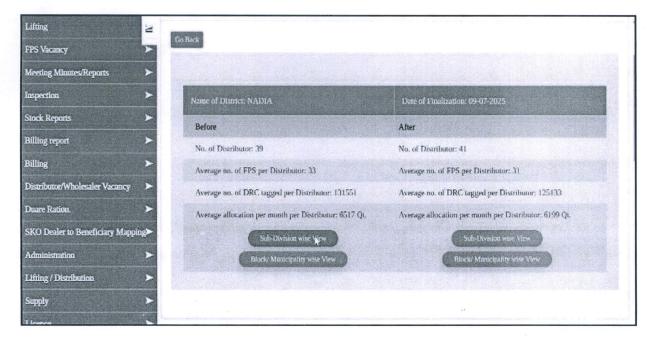






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10. On clicking the 'View' button, a summary page opens showing a comparative view of scenarios before and after creation of the planned vacancy(ies). Users can toggle between Sub-Division-wise and Block/Municipality-wise views. Excel and PDF download options are also available for saving the report.



- 11. The report mentioned in point no. 8 will also be available to Directorate and Secretariat level users.
- 12. On viewing the reports, if the higher officials are not satisfied, they can contact the DCF&S/JDR/DDR outside the portal and make the instruction across. In such case, the DCF&S/JDR/DDR can click 'Edit' and do necessary modification in the plan.
- 13. When both the DCF&S/JDR/DDR and the higher officials are satisfied that the optimum number of Distributorship vacancy has been incorporated in the plan, necessary reports are to be downloaded and proceeded in file.

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