

Details of hunger deaths in Jharkhand (2016-18)

S. N.	Name of victim	Block, District	Date of death	Details as per independent fact-finding or media reports	Details as per Jharkhand government's report (N) 3704 dt. 26/12/2018
1	Indradeo Mali#, 40 yrs (m), Dalit	Hazaribagh	December 2016	No food cooked in house since three days before death. Family did not get ration for two months preceding death. Source: News18.com and Dainik Jagran	Not mentioned in report
2	Santoshi Kumari*, 11 yrs (f), Dalit	Jaldega, Simdega	28 Sep 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family denied ration for five months as its ration card was cancelled in want of Aadhaar. Social security pension of Santoshi's grandmother stopped for 8 months before Santoshi's death Santoshi's mother Koyili Devi works as wage labourer in village. She did not get NREGA work as no scheme implemented in village in months preceding Santoshi's death. Source: RTFC Jharkhand Factfinding report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family's ration card cancelled on 22 July 2018. Report does not mention the reason for cancellation. Report does not discuss if Santoshi's grandmother had access to pensions. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
3	Baijnath Ravidas, 40 yrs (m), Dalit	Jharia, Dhanbad	21 Oct 2017	Family used to get some grains from Baijnath's elder brother's ration card. After elder brother's death a few years ago, family did not have access to ration. Despite repeated applications, the family did not get ration card. Source: Report of fact finding by HRLN News18.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baijnath's elder brother's family had a Priority Household Card. But report does not mention if Baijnath's family had a card. Elder son works as wage labourer. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
4	Ruplal Marandi*, 60 yrs (m), Adivasi	Mohanpur, Deoghar	23 Oct 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family denied ration for two months as thumbprint of Ruplal and his daughter did not work in the Aadhaar-based biometric authentication (ABBA) Point-of-Sale machine. Ruplal's daughter works as wage labourer. Source: HRLN fact finding report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family had Priority Household card, but report does not mention if he family got ration in the months preceding Ruplal's death. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
5	Lalita Kunwar#, 45 yrs (f), Adivasi	Garhwa	October 2017	Lalita's family was denied ration for six months preceding her death. Source: Prabhat Khabar	Not mentioned in report
6	Premani Kunwar*, 64 yrs (f), OBC	Danda, Garhwa	1 Dec 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After September 2017, Premani's pension was redirected to someone else's bank account linked with her Aadhaar. Premani did not receive her ration in November 2017 even though she successfully authenticated herself through ABBA. Premani and her step sons and daughter-in-laws 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Had AAY card. Received ration in Sept-Nov 2017. No mention of denial of pensions in report. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment,

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				<p>worked as wage labourers in the village. Their families did not have NREGA job cards. The families wanted NREGA work but NREGA schemes were not implemented in the village. JCB machines used for excavating the schemes.</p> <p>Source: RTFC Jharkhand fact finding</p>	<p>payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.</p>
7	Etwariya Devi*, 67 yrs (f), OBC	Majhiaon , Garhwa	25 Dec 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The family did not get ration from October-December 2017 due to ABBA failure. Etwariya's old pension was not credited in her account in November. In December, the Common Service Point operator did not give her the pension as the internet connection was disrupted just after she authenticated through ABBA. Son works as wage labourer under contractors outside Jharkhand. Daughter-in-law works as wage labourer in village. As per the MGNREGA MIS, family's jobcard was deleted in 2013 and another card was issued in 2015 (that was also verified in 2017 as part of the job card verification drive). But family was not aware of this. The families wanted NREGA work but NREGA schemes were not implemented in the village. <p>Source: RTFC Jharkhand fact finding report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family given ration on 5 October 2017. Report does not mention access to ration in November and December. No mention of denial of pension in the report. Etwariya's son works as wage labourer in Rajasthan. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
8	Budhni Soren#, 40 yrs (f), Adivasi	Tisri, Giridih	13 Jan 2018	<p>The family was not issued a ration card (presumably as it did not have Aadhaar). Budhni Soren was also not issued a widow pension.</p> <p>Source: eNewsRoom and Times of India</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family did not have a ration card. Report does not mention if Budhni had access to widow pension. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
9	Lukhi Murmu*, 30 yrs (f), Adivasi	Hiranpur, Pakur	23 Jan 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lukhi was then tested for tuberculosis and kala azar in January 2018 in local community health centre, but they were both negative. The family was denied its PDS rice since October 2017 due to ABBA failure. In June 2017, the family's Antyodaya Anna Yojana card was converted into a Priority ration card without its knowledge. Lukhi and her sister worked as wage labourers in the village. Lukhi last worked in NREGA in 2016. According to the villages, no household in the village had its Job Card with it. Some Job Cards may be with the local contractors. No NREGA work took place in 2017. In 2016, some land levelling and pond construction took place, but at least 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lukhi Murmu had Kalajar but she did not inform any doctor or officer. Report does not mention if the family had Antyodaya card or Priority Household card. Family received ration in September 2017. But report does not mention if the family got ration since October 2017. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.

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				some of this work was through machines. Source: RTF Jharkhand fact finding report	
10	Sarathi Mahtain*, (f)	Dhanbad	29 April 2018	She was denied her ration and pension for several months as she could not go to the ration shop and bank for Aadhaar-based biometric authentication due to illness. Source: Dainik Jagran and Jansatta.com	Not mentioned in report
11	Savitri Devi*, 60 yrs (f), OBC	Dumri, Giridih	2 June 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Did not have a ration card despite having applied for it. She was sanctioned a widow pension in 2014, but the first pension instalment was transferred in her account in only April 2018 as her Aadhaar was not linked with her bank account. She was not aware that the pension amount was credited to her account. Savitri's sons worked as wage labourers outside Jharkhand. The household has a Job Card (JH-19-005-010-005/12) which only includes Savitri Devi and her husband's names. According to the electronic Job Card, Savitri Devi last worked in a scheme of dobha for eleven days in 2016. No work under NREGA has happened in 2018-19 and only a well was implemented in 2017-18. People said that they needed work but NREGA schemes were not implemented in the village. Source: RTFC Jharkhand fact finding report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family did not have a ration card. And it did not apply for ration card. Widow pension of amount Rs. 1800 credited to her account on 4 April 2018. Two sons worked in Maharashtra and UP respectively. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
12	Mina Musahar, 45 yrs (f), Dalit	Itkhor, Chatra	4 June 2018	Did not have ration card or shelter. Was forced to beg for food and was hungry for 4 days. Source: RTF Jharkhand report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Did not have ration card as she was not a resident of Jharkhand. Used to travel to Bihar. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
13	Chintaman Malhar#, 50 yrs (m), Dalit	Mandu, Ramgarh	14 June 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Was not issued a ration card or PVTG pension. Lived in makeshift shelter. Chitaman and others of the hamlet did not have NREGA job cards. No NREGA work available in their hamlet. Lived in state of semi-starvation. Source: RTFC fact finding report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family did not have ration card. One son works as wage labourer in Hazaribagh and the other worked in Bangalore. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
14	Lalji Mahto#, 70 yrs (m), OBC	Jamtara	10 July 2018	He did not receive his pension for the past three months Source: Dainik Jagran	Not mentioned in report
15	Rajendra	Mandu,	24 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rajendra's family was not issued a ration card. It 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report does not mention if the family had a

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	Birhor*, 39 yrs (m), Adivasi	Ramgarh	2018	<p>also did not get social security pension entitled to particularly vulnerable tribes. Died of destitution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some NREGA work took place in the village last year, but Rajendra Birhor's family last work in the employment guarantee programme in 2010-11. According to his wife, the family did not have a jobcard. <p>Source: Report of RTFC fact finding team, NDTV.com</p>	<p>ration card or social security pensions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
16	Chamtu Sabar#, 45 yrs (m), Adivasi	Dhalbhumgarh, East Singhbhum	16 Sept 2018	<p>Newspaper report states that there was no food in the house for the 4-5 days before he died. Entitled to Antyodaya card (as PVTG) but did not have one. Suffered from TB.</p> <p>Source: Prabhat Khabar</p>	Not mentioned in report
17	Seeta Devi*, 75 yrs (f), Adivasi	Basia, Gumla	25 Oct 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lived alone. Did not eat for four days before death as there was no grain or money at home. Did not get ration in October. Was not enrolled in social security pensions as she did not have a Aadhaar-linked bank account. <p>Source: Independent inquiry reports (1 and 2), Eenaduindia.com , Dainik Jagran</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family had Antyodyay ration card. Ration dealer had given her ration till August 2018. Report does not discuss if the family received ration in September-October. Report does not mention if Seeta was enrolled in social security pensions. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.
18	Kaleshwar Soren*, 45 yrs (m), Adivasi	Jama, Dumka	11 Nov 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family's ration card was cancelled in 2016 as it was not linked with Aadhaar. Lived along in extreme deprivation with poor access to food. All children worked outside as unskilled workers. Resource of family such as land, oxen and so on sold off or mortgaged. Kaleshwar Soren's sons said that the family did not have a NREGA job card and that their father had not received NREGA work in past few years. The villagers said that no NREGA work happened in the village in 2018 or 2017. <p>Source: RTFC fact-finding report and Dainik Jagran (1 and 2)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family received ration till March 2016, on the name of Kaleshwar Soren's wife. Report does not discuss the family's access to ration after March 2016. All three sons worked in some private company outside the state. According to report, reason of death not related to NREGA. But it does not mention details of the family's access to NREGA entitlements such as job card, employment, payment of wages, status of implementation of NREGA schemes in the hamlet and so on.

*Cases where Aadhaar-related failures clearly contributed to starvation. #Cases where Aadhaar-related failures may have contributed to starvation.