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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-174
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21/07/2023

STATUS OF COLD STORAGE IN THE COUNTRY

174. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has assessed the requirement and availability of cold storages in the country for perishable vegetables and fruits during 2022 and 2023;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of cold storage facility augmented in the country during 2023 till 1st July, 2023?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c) A study conducted by NABARD Consultancy Services (NABCONS) in 2015 on “All India Cold-chain Infrastructure Capacity (AICIC-2015)” assessed the required capacity of cold storages at that time as 351.00 lakh MT against the existing capacity of 318.23 lakh MT in 2014. State-wise details of required capacity are at **Annexure**.

Currently, there are 8639 cold storages in the country with the capacity of 393.61 lakh MT as on date.

(d) There are 188 cold storages having capacity of 7.82 lakh MT augmented in the country during 2022-23 and 2023-24 till 1st July 2023.

State-wise details of required capacity as per the study conducted by NABCONS

State	Cold Storage Required Capacity (in MT)
Andhra Pradesh	530925
Arunachal	7508
Assam	71996
Bihar	5123982
Chhattisgarh	513830
Delhi	40122
Goa	2271
Gujarat	2239476
Haryana	240395
HP	306147
J&K	907842
Jharkhand	24951
Karnataka	210313
Kerala	45874
MP	1867179
Maharashtra	157709
Manipur	5062
Meghalaya	18704
Mizoram	8920
Nagaland	8675
Odisha	305500
Punjab	1693408
Rajasthan	53395
Sikkim	2621
Tamil Nadu	194640
Telangana	277129
Tripura	8554
Uttar Pradesh	10675137
Uttarakhand	72931
West Bengal	9480929
UT &Others	4539
Total	35100664
