

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1796
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04TH AUGUST, 2026

STORING CAPACITY OF FCI GRANARIES/GODOWNS

1796 SHRI SATNAM SINGH SANDHU:

Will the Minister of *Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details on the storing capacity of FCI granaries/godowns across the country, State-wise;
- (b) the assistance provided by the Ministry/FCI to Punjab in considering advance lifting in other States to ensure evacuation of Rice and Wheat grains from Punjab; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Ministry to increase storage capacity in granaries during the past five years?

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(a): The Food Corporation of India (FCI) has a total storage capacity of 522.51 LMT for storage of foodgrains under the Central Pool [501.00LMT Covered (Owned + Hired) + 21.51 LMT Covered & Plinth]. Other than this, the total storage capacity available with State agencies is 466.19 LMT. State-wise details are attached at **Annexure-A**.

(b): Regarding advance lifting of foodgrains, this Department has issued directions to all States/UTs including Punjab, and FCI to lift the foodgrains allocated under NFSA up to October 2026 in advance. The decision has been taken considering the monsoon season and the consequent storage & logistical challenges expected to be faced by States/UTs.

(c): The Department continuously assesses and monitors the storage capacity and based on the storage gap assessment, storage capacities are created/hired, through following schemes:

1. **Private Entrepreneurs Guarantee (PEG) Scheme**
2. **Central Sector Scheme (CSS) "Storage & Godowns" (Focus on NE) (culminated on 31.03.2025)**
3. **Hiring of godown from Central Warehousing Corporation/State Warehousing Corporations/State Agencies**
4. **Private Warehousing Scheme (PWS)**

5. **Creation of godown under Asset Monetization**
6. **Construction of SILOs under Public Private Partner-ship (PPP) mode**
7. **Modified PEG scheme for NE & Hilly states with longer guarantee period of 15 years**
8. **CAP Hiring Scheme**

Statement referred to in reply to Part (a) of Unstarred Question No. 1796 in the Rajya Sabha on 04.08.2026.

Annexure-A

Central Pool Storage Capacity with FCI and State Govt.Agencies as on 01.07.2026 (Figures in LMT)															
Z o n e	S N o .	Region/U.T.	Total Storage Capacity with FCI (Owned/Hired) (Covered & CAP)						Total (Ow ned+ Hired)	Total Storage Capacity with State Agencies including SWCs (excluding capacities given to FCI) for storage of foodgrains			Grand Total		
			Covered		CAP		Total			Cov. & CAP	State Agencies				
			Owned	Hired	Ow ned	Hired	Cov.	CAP			Cov.	CAP	Total		
E A S T	1	BIHAR	3.45	10.58	0.00	0.00	14.02	0.00	14.02	10.13	0	10.13	24.15	0.00	24.15
	2	JHARKHAND	1.08	3.30	0.00	0.00	4.39	0.00	4.39	2.25	0	2.25	6.64	0.00	6.64
	3	ORISSA	3.65	3.35	0.00	0.00	7.00	0.00	7.00	6.25	0	6.25	13.25	0.00	13.25
	4	WEST BENGAL	9.53	2.22	0.00	0.00	11.75	0.00	11.75	9.66	0	9.66	21.41	0.00	21.41
	5	SIKKIM	0.11	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.00	0.11	0.11	0	0.11	0.22	0.00	0.22
Total East Zone			17.82	19.45	0.00	0.00	37.27	0.00	37.27	28.40	0	28.40	65.67	0.00	65.67
N E	6	ASSAM	3.84	1.59	0.00	0.00	5.42	0.00	5.42	0.00	0	0.00	5.42	0.00	5.42
	7	ARUNACHAL PD	0.41	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.00	0.45	0.00	0	0.00	0.45	0.00	0.45
	8	MEGHALAYA	0.23	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.47	0.00	0.47	0.00	0	0.00	0.47	0.00	0.47
	9	MIZORAM	0.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.32	0.00	0.32	0.41	0	0.41	0.73	0.00	0.73
	10	TRIPURA	0.44	0.19	0.00	0.00	0.62	0.00	0.62	0.64	0	0.64	1.27	0.00	1.27
	11	MANIPUR	0.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.65	0.00	0	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.65
	12	NAGALAND	0.42	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.57	0.00	0.57	0.08	0	0.08	0.65	0.00	0.65
Total North East Zone			6.29	2.21	0.00	0.00	8.51	0.00	8.51	1.13	0	1.13	9.64	0.00	9.64
N O R T H	13	DELHI	3.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.28	0.00	3.28	0.00	0	0.00	3.28	0.00	3.28
	14	HARYANA	8.75	60.31	2.21	1.49	69.06	3.69	72.76	44.45	21.48	65.93	113.51	25.17	138.69
	15	HIMACHAL PD.	0.27	0.74	0.00	0.00	1.01	0.00	1.01	0.00	0	0.00	1.01	0.00	1.01
	16	J & K	0.95	1.64	0.00	0.00	2.58	0.00	2.58	0.00	0	0.00	2.58	0.00	2.58
	17	LADAKH	0.25	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.38	0.00	0.38	0.00	0	0.00	0.38	0.00	0.38
	18	PUNJAB	27.19	124.00	3.37	13.66	151.19	17.03	168.22	25.59	62.71	88.30	176.78	79.74	256.52
	19	CHANDIGARH	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.09	0.00	0	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.09
	20	RAJASTHAN	8.42	20.35	0.40	0.36	28.77	0.76	29.53	0.00	0	0.00	28.77	0.76	29.53
	21	UTTAR PRADESH	15.48	50.26	0.00	0.00	65.74	0.00	65.74	0.00	0	0.00	65.74	0.00	65.74

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	2 2	UTTARAKHAND	0.83	1.14	0.03	0.00	1.97	0.03	2.00	1.19	0	1.19	3.16	0.03	3.19
Total North Zone			65.41	258.67	6.01	15.50	324.08	21.51	345.59	71.23	84.19	155.42	395.31	105.70	501.01
S O U T H	23	ANDHRA PRADESH	8.64	9.08	0.00	0.00	17.72	0.00	17.72	14.70	0	14.70	32.42	0.00	32.42
	24	ANDMAN NIKOBAR	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.07	0.16	0	0.16	0.23	0.00	0.23
	25	TELANGANA	6.68	16.40	0.00	0.00	23.08	0.00	23.08	8.00	0	8.00	31.08	0.00	31.08
	26	KERALA	5.88	0.13	0.00	0.00	6.01	0.00	6.01	1.84	0	1.84	7.85	0.00	7.85
	27	KARNATAKA	4.61	5.45	0.00	0.00	10.06	0.00	10.06	30.93	0	30.93	40.99	0.00	40.99
	28	LAKSHDWEEP	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.00	0	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03
	29	TAMIL NADU	6.46	6.33	0.00	0.00	12.79	0.00	12.79	17.66	0	17.66	30.45	0.00	30.45
	30	PUDDUCHERI	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.51	0.00	0.51	0.00	0	0.00	0.51	0.00	0.51
Total South Zone			32.87	37.40	0.00	0.00	70.27	0.00	70.27	73.29	0	73.29	143.56	0.00	143.56
W E S T	3 1	GUJARAT	4.93	4.42	0.00	0.00	9.35	0.00	9.35	0.56	0	0.56	9.91	0.00	9.91
	3 2	DADAR NAGAR HAVELI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	3 3	MAHARASHTRA	9.23	9.82	0.00	0.00	19.05	0.00	19.05	6.98	0	6.98	26.03	0.00	26.03
	3 4	GOA	0.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.19	0.00	0.19	0.00	0	0.00	0.19	0.00	0.19
	3 5	MADHYA PRADESH	4.18	6.87	0.00	0.00	11.05	0.00	11.05	189.16	0	189.16	200.21	0.00	200.21
	3 6	CHHATTISGARH	6.32	14.91	0.00	0.00	21.23	0.00	21.23	11.26	0	11.26	32.49	0.00	32.49
Total West Zone			24.84	36.02	0.00	0.00	60.87	0.00	60.87	207.96	0.00	207.96	268.83	0.00	268.83
Grand Total			147.24	353.76	6.01	15.50	501.00	21.51	522.51	382.00	84.19	466.19	883.00	105.70	988.73
