

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1923
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5th AUGUST, 2026

WORLD'S LARGEST GRAIN STORAGE SCHEME

1923. SHRI P. WILSON:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION be pleased to state

- (a) whether any grain storage godowns have been sanctioned, inaugurated or approved under the World's Largest Grain Storage Plan (WLGSP) in Tamil Nadu and, if so, the details thereof, district-wise;
- (b) the total funds allocated, released and utilised under the scheme, State-wise;
- (c) the total storage capacity proposed and created, indicating the number of Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) covered, State-wise;
- (d) the timeline fixed for completion of the sanctioned projects; and
- (e) the number of direct and indirect employment opportunities expected to be generated through the initiatives launched by the Ministry during its five years of establishment, along with the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION
(SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) Under the decentralised grain storage plan in Cooperative Sector, construction of 5 godowns has been completed and 8 godowns are under construction in the state of Tamil Nadu, the district-wise details are enclosed at ***Annexure-A***.

(b) & (c) This Plan is implemented through convergence of various existing schemes of the Government of India (GoI), such as, Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF), Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure Scheme (AMI), Sub Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM), Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises Scheme (PMFME), etc. Thus, funds are available as per provisions of the respective schemes. Under the AMI Scheme, the State-wise details of total funds released under the plan are enclosed at ***Annexure-B***. The State-wise details of the projects approved and capacity created are enclosed at ***Annexure-C***.

(d) As per the AMI guidelines of DA&FW, construction of godowns by PACS/Cooperative Societies to be completed within 18 months and to submit completion documents for final subsidy claims. However, an extension of up to 6 additional months can be allowed if the reasons for delay are fully justified.

(e) The Ministry of Cooperation, since its establishment on 6th July, 2021, has undertaken a number of policy and institutional initiatives to strengthen the cooperative movement under the vision of "Sahakar se Samriddhi". Under the plan the creation of storage infrastructure at PACS/other cooperative societies, coupled with primary processing and allied facilities, is expected to generate substantial employment opportunities. These include direct employment in construction, warehouse operations, grading, sorting, packaging, processing, quality control, logistics, etc., as well as indirect employment through transportation, equipment maintenance, input supply, marketing, and other agri-business services. This plan aims at enhancement of rural livelihoods, foster local entrepreneurship, create sustainable employment opportunities across the agricultural value chain.

Annexure-A**District-wise details of godowns constructed/ under construction in Tamil Nadu**

Sl. No.	District	Number	Capacity (MT)	Construction
1	Theni	1	1000	Completed
2	Dindigul	1	1000	
3	Perambalur	1	100	
4	Perambalur	1	100	
5	Namakkal	1	100	
6	Tiruvannamalai	2	2000	Under Construction
7	Tiruchirappalli	1	1000	
8	Kanyakumari	1	1000	
9	Madurai	1	1000	
10	Tiruvannamalai	1	1000	
11	Karur	1	500	
12	Tiruchirappalli	1	200	

State-wise details of funds released under AMI for the plan

S. No	State	Number of Projects	Total Advance Subsidy (₹ crore)
1	Arunachal Pradesh	3	0.31085
2	Assam	1	0.0384
3	Bihar	25	5.063545
4	Chhattisgarh	9	1.920555
5	Gujarat	136	6.838885
6	Jammu And Kashmir	1	0.14004
7	Karnataka	1	0.125
8	Madhya Pradesh	1	0.125
9	Maharashtra	24	2.313115
10	Odisha	10	1.584815
11	Tamil Nadu	12	0.8095
12	Uttar Pradesh	1	0.05245
13	Uttarakhand	1	0.0237
Grand Total		225	19.345855

State-wise details of the projects approved and capacity created

Sr. No.	State	Number of Projects approved	Total Capacity Created (In LMT)
1.	Gujarat	275	0.158
2.	Rajasthan	201	0.603
3.	Andhra Pradesh	117	0.790
4.	Odisha	80	-
5.	Maharashtra	79	0.186
6.	Jharkhand	52	-
7.	Haryana	44	-
8.	Bihar	36	-
9.	Chhattisgarh	30	-
10.	Punjab	30	-
11.	Telangana	28	0.005
12.	Uttar Pradesh	14	0.015
13.	Tamil Nadu	13	0.023
14.	J&K	6	-
15.	Arunachal Pradesh	3	-
16.	Assam	3	0.005
17.	Madhya Pradesh	1	0.005
18.	Tripura	1	0.003
19.	Uttarakhand	1	0.005
20.	Karnataka	1	0.010
Total		1,015	1.808