GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1618 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6TH MARCH. 2018

RURAL GODOWN SCHEME

1618. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALIAS HARISH DWIVEDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing Rural Godown Scheme in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the achievements made by the Government and the number of godowns constructed under the scheme in Uttar Pradesh including Basti region;
- (c) the details of the amount allocated and utilised under the scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to sanction more godowns and increase the capacity of the existing godowns; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) & (b): Yes Madam, The Government has been implementing capital investment subsidy sub-scheme "Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure (AMI)" of Integrated Scheme for Agricultural Marketing (ISAM) for creation of Agricultural Marketing infrastructure including storage infrastructure. The erstwhile two schemes viz. (i) Grameen Bhandaran Yojana (GBY) implemented since 01.04.2001, and (ii) Scheme for Strengthening/Development of Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure, Grading & Standardization (AMIGS) implemented since 20.10.2004 have been subsumed into one sub-scheme known as Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure (AMI) w.e.f. 01.04.2014. The scheme for sanction of new godowns has been unavailable since 5.8.2014.

A total of 38,895 storage infrastructure projects with 65.18 Million MTs storage capacity have been sanctioned since inception of the scheme throughout the country. So far, a total of 1,119 Storage infrastructure projects with 5.32 Million MTs storage capacity have been sanctioned in Uttar Pradesh. Further, 5 storage infrastructure projects with 16,902 MT storage capacity have been sanctioned in Basti region of Uttar Pradesh.

(c): The AMI sub-scheme of ISAM is a demand driven scheme and no state-wise allocation has been made under the scheme. The details of amount allocated and expenditure incurred under AMI scheme during last three years and the current year is as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

Financial Year	Allocation	Expenditure Incurred
2014-15	926.71	878.18
2015-16	675.86	518.81
2016-17	838.06	672.97
2017-18 (Till date)	486.9	378.32

(d) & (e): The proposal is under consideration of the Government to re-open the AMI scheme for sanction of new projects for increasing the storage capacity.
