

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2127
ANSWERED ON 31ST JULY, 2018

FOODGRAIN STOCKS

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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the foodgrain stocks and the buffer norms in the country, grain-wise;
- (b) whether the foodgrain stocks have declined and are likely to decline further due to severe drought in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/proposed to ensure adequate stocks in the country;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to import wheat in view of its shortage; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a): As informed by the Department of Food and Public Distribution, the stock of foodgrains in the Central Pool as on 01.07.2018 was 650.53 lakh tons comprising of 232.52 lakh tons of rice and 418.01 lakh tons of wheat as against the foodgrains stocking norms for Central Pool (Buffer Norms) of 411.20 lakh tons comprising of 135.40 lakh tons of rice and 275.80 lakh tons of wheat for the quarter July to September.

(b): No Madam.

(c) to (e): Question does not arise in view of (b) above.
