

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 986
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH JULY, 2018

STOCK OF FOODGRAINS

986. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether country has adequate stock of foodgrains at present;
- (b) whether the said stocks will meet internal demand of foodgrains;
- (c) if so, the details thereof indicating the anticipated demand for foodgrains in the country; and
- (d) whether there is any ban on the export of foodgrains and if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (c): The stock of foodgrains in the Central Pool as on 01.07.2018 was 650.53 lakh tons against the minimum buffer norms of 411.20 lakh tons for July-September quarter which includes 50 lakh tons of strategic reserve. This is adequate to meet the requirement under National Food Security Act (NFSA), Other Welfare Schemes (OWS) and Additional allocation (natural calamity, festival, etc). The estimated annual requirement of foodgrains under National Food Security Act (NFSA), Other Welfare Schemes (OWS) and Additional allocation (natural calamity festival, etc) is about 611 lakh tons.

(d): There is no ban on export of foodgrains.
