

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1260
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18 DECEMBER, 2018

QUALITY OF FOODGRAIN STOCKS

1260. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

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

- (a) whether old and substandard quality foodgrain stocks are maintained in godowns across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to dispose of the said stock;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and
- (e) the total quantum of old stock of wheat and rice disposed of during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

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

(a) & (b) Following quantity of Non-issuable/Substandard foodgrains are lying in the godowns of FCI as on 01-11-2018:-

Figures in MT

Name of the state	Wheat	Rice	Total
Bihar	24.502	0.000	24.502
Jharkhand	0.000	31.244	31.244
Orissa	1.570	0.000	1.570
West Bengal	4.510	7.780	12.290
NEF(Megh./Mizo/T.pura)	0.000	100.985	100.985
Delhi	1.723	0.174	1.897
Punjab	3.419	301.039	304.458
Uttar Pradesh	2.576	7.908	10.484
Kerala	0.994	27.608	28.602
Karnataka	0.000	20.807	20.807
Tamil Nadu	0.000	6.472	6.472
Madhya Pradesh	0.000	4.970	4.970
Total	39.294	508.987	548.281

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(c) & (d): Yes. Out of total quantity of 548.281 tonnes Non-issuable foodgrains available with FCI, 474.505 of tonnes of foodgrains has already been covered under tender for disposal. Balance quantity of 73.7 tonnes is under the process of categorisation.

(e): The total quantum of old stocks of wheat and rice disposed during last three years and current year, which were non-issuable under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS)/Other Welfare Schemes (OWS) is given hereunder:

Year	Region	Commodity	Quantity (in MT)
2015-16	Tamil Nadu	Wheat	70.66
2016-17	Tamil Nadu	Wheat	46.18
	Maharashtra	Rice	358.647
	Maharashtra	Wheat	1314.787
2017-18	Karnataka	Rice	1.00

During current year 2018-19, no stock of wheat and rice which is non-upgradable and non-issuable under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS)/ Other Welfare Schemes (OWS) (other than damaged foodgrains) and 'D' category foodgrains have been disposed off till 30.11.2018.
