

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
 MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
 DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
 LOK SABHA
 UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4413
 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08 JANUARY, 2019

STOCK OF WHEAT AND RICE

4413. SHRI M.B. RAJESH:

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

- (a) the details of the procurement, allocation/sale and surplus/unsold stock of wheat and rice in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the foodgrains were imported or exported during the said period; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the quantum and the import and export prices of the said foodgrains?

A N S W E R

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

(a) The procurement of Rice and Wheat by Government Agencies at Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Central Pool during last three years and current year is as under:

(Figures in LMT)

| Kharif Marketing Season (KMS) | Rice | Rabi Marketing Season (RMS)/ | Wheat |
|-------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|--------|
| KMS 2015-16 | 342.18 | RMS 2015-16 | 280.88 |
| KMS 2016-17 | 381.06 | RMS 2016-17 | 229.62 |
| KMS 2017-18 | 381.85 | RMS 2017-18 | 308.24 |
| KMS 2018-19 | 262.96# | RMS 2018-19 | 357.95 |

As on 04.01.2019.

Details of sale of wheat and rice under Open Market Sale Scheme (Domestic) during the last three years and current year is as follows:

(Figures in LMT)

| Year | Wheat | Rice |
|---------|--------|-------|
| 2015-16 | 70.77 | 1.11 |
| 2016-17 | 45.67 | 1.78 |
| 2017-18 | 14.22 | 4.90 |
| 2018-19 | 43.22* | 4.80* |

*(till 4th tender of December, 2018)

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Details of allocation and offtake of wheat and rice under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS)/ National Food Security Act (NFSA) during the year 2015-16 to 2018-19 (upto December, 2018) is as under:

(Figures in LMT)

| Year | Wheat | | Rice | |
|--------------------------|------------|---------|------------|---------|
| | Allocation | Offtake | Allocation | Offtake |
| 2015-16 | 239.34 | 222.53 | 284.06 | 273.41 |
| 2016-17 | 239.65 | 228.71 | 302.76 | 292.95 |
| 2017-18 | 238.78 | 224.86 | 314.08 | 315.63 |
| 2018-19 (upto Dec,18) | 179.62 | 162.57 | 235.37 | 227.27 |

Details of stock position of wheat and rice in the Central Pool vis a vis foodgrains stocking norms during the year 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 (upto 1st October) is at Annexure.

(b) & (c): There was no import/export of wheat and rice from Central Pool during the last three years and current year except 19,980 MT of parboiled rice exported to Egypt in August, 2016 at friendship price of US\$ 305 per MT (CIF) through State Trading Corporation (STC) on Government to Government basis on diplomatic grounds.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4413 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 08.01.2019 IN THE LOK SABHA.

STOCK POSITION OF WHEAT AND RICE IN THE CENTRAL POOL VIS A VIS FOODGRAINS STOCKING NORMS

(in lakh tons)

| AS ON | W H E A T | | R I C E | | T O T A L | |
|-----------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| | Actual stock | Foodgrains Stocking norms | Actual stock | Foodgrains Stocking norms | Actual stock | Foodgrains Stocking norms |
| 1.04.2015 | 172.21 | 74.60 | 170.94 | 135.80 | 343.15 | 210.40 |
| 1.07.2015 | 386.80 | 275.80 | 158.95 | 135.40 | 545.75 | 411.20 |
| 1.10.2015 | 324.50 | 205.20 | 125.78 | 102.50 | 450.28 | 307.70 |
| 1.01.2016 | 237.88 | 138.00 | 126.89 | 76.10 | 364.77 | 214.10 |
| 1.04.2016 | 145.38 | 74.60 | 221.61 | 135.80 | 366.99 | 210.40 |
| 1.07.2016 | 301.81 | 275.80 | 194.14 | 135.40 | 495.95 | 411.20 |
| 1.10.2016 | 213.28 | 205.20 | 144.74 | 102.50 | 358.02 | 307.70 |
| 1.01.2017 | 137.47 | 128.00 | 134.75 | 86.10 | 272.22 | 214.10 |
| 1.04.2017 | 80.59 | 74.60 | 230.81 | 135.80 | 311.40 | 210.40 |
| 1.07.2017 | 322.75 | 275.80 | 210.44 | 135.40 | 533.19 | 411.20 |
| 1.10.2017 | 258.66 | 205.20 | 163.07 | 102.50 | 421.73 | 307.70 |
| 1.01.2018 | 195.62 | 138.00 | 162.06 | 76.10 | 357.68 | 214.10 |
| 1.04.2018 | 132.31 | 74.60 | 248.73 | 135.80 | 381.04 | 210.40 |
| 1.07.2018 | 418.01 | 275.80 | 232.52 | 135.40 | 650.53 | 411.20 |
| 1.10.2018 | 356.25 | 205.20 | 186.34 | 102.50 | 542.59 | 307.70 |

Note 1: Revsied norms is w.e.f. 22.1.2015