

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1668
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2nd JULY, 2019

FOODGRAIN STORAGE

†1668. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to increase the storage facilities of foodgrains in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether thousands of tons of foodgrains get rotten due to storage of foodgrains open by Food Corporation of India, Food Corporation of States and other agencies due to lack of storage facilities in the country;
- (d) if so, whether the Government has reviewed on rotting of foodgrains and on the availability of storage facilities of foodgrains in the country during the last five years and the current year;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of the allocated and spent funds specially towards expansion of food storage facilities in the country during the last five years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

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MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD &
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO)

(a) to (f): Against total stocks of 741.41 LMT (as on 01.06.2019), the total storage capacity available with Food Corporation of India (FCI), Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) and the State Agencies (both owned and hired capacity), is 862.45 LMT (as on 31.05.2019) comprising 739.76 LMT in covered godowns and 122.69 LMT in Cover and Plinth (CAP) storage. As such, there is sufficient capacity for storage of central pool foodgrains at the national level.

The foodgrains are stored scientifically with various preservation measures like fumigation and treatment with pesticides. In spite of taking necessary care and precautions, some quantities of foodgrains may become non-issuable due to various reasons like natural calamities, transit damages and in some cases due to negligence of officials, for which suitable disciplinary action is invariably taken.

During the last 5 years including current year, the percentage damage to wheat stored in CAP due to various reasons by FCI are given below:

Year	Quantity of wheat stored by FCI in CAP as on 1 st June of Year (in MT)	Quantity of Damaged Wheat accrued in CAP in FCI (in MT)	Percentage damage in CAP with respect to the quantity stored in CAP
2015-16	5,31,312	2.2	0.0004%
2016-17	2,65,101	1.9	0.0007%
2017-18	3,42,496	Nil	Nil
2018-19	9,20,258	Nil	Nil
2019-20 (as on 01.06.2019)	8,72,651	Nil	Nil

Depending on requirement in specific areas and for modernization of the storage facilities, the Government implements schemes for construction of godowns and silos for storage of Central Pool Stocks in the country.

The Central Sector Scheme (erstwhile Plan Scheme) is implemented in the North Eastern States along with a few other States. Funds are released to FCI and also directly to the State Governments for construction of godowns. The State/UT-wise details of funds allocated and released to FCI and State Governments for construction of godowns under Central Sector Scheme (erstwhile Plan) Scheme during the last 5 years and current year up to 31.05.2019 is at Annexure-I.

Additionally, under the Private Entrepreneurs Guarantee (PEG) Scheme, which was formulated in 2008, storage capacity is created by private parties, Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) and State Government Agencies for guaranteed hiring by Food Corporation of India (FCI). Under this scheme, no funds are allocated by Government for construction of godowns and full investment is done by the private parties/CWC/State Agencies.

Further, in addition to conventional godowns, Government of India has also approved an action plan for construction of steel silos in the country for a capacity of 100 LMT in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode for modernizing storage infrastructure and improving shelf life of stored foodgrains. The construction is done in PPP mode and in case of construction of silos in Viability Gap Funding (VGF), grant is sought by the private parties in tender. The State/UT-wise details of grant approved by Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Government of India during the last 5 years and current year up to 31.05.2019 for construction of silos under VGF model is at Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1668 DUE FOR ANSWERED ON 02.07.2019 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Year wise and head wise funds allocated under Central Sector (erstwhile Plan) Scheme "Storage & Godowns" and actual fund released.

(in Rs. Cr)

Compo- nents	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20	
	RE	AFR	RE	AFR	RE	AFR	RE	AFR	RE	AFR	BE	AFR *
North East (NE) head of FCI	71.84	71.84	68.39	67.70	50.00	35.75	23.50	23.50	63.00	63.00	45.00	-
Other than North East (ONE) head of FCI	15.00	15.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	04.00	-
#State Governmen ts	5.00	5.00	11.61	11.61	2.00	16.25	29.32	29.32	23.30	23.30	21.00	-
Total	91.84	91.84	80.00	79.31	52.00	52.00	52.82	52.82	86.30	86.30	70.00	-

*up to 31.05.2019.

Revised Estimate: RE

Budget Estimate: BE

Actual Funds Released: AFR

#Year-wise & State-wise funds released to State Governments:-

(in Rs. Cr)

Sl	Name of the State	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20 (up to 31.05.2019)
1	Assam	-	-	-	9.57	-	-
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1.78	1.11	10.36	8.04	-	-
3	Mizoram	2.00	-	1.64	-	14.42	-
4	Nagaland	-	-	4.25	-	4.00	-
5	Sikkim	0.55	-	-	11.71	-	-
6	Tripura	0.67	10.50	-	-	4.88	-
Total		5.00	11.61	16.25	29.32	23.30	-

ANNEXURE -II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1668 DUE FOR ANSWERED ON 02.07.2019 IN THE LOK SABHA.

The State/UT-wise details of grant approved by Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Government of India during the last 5 years and current year up to 31.05.2019 for construction of silos is given below:

SL	Year	Grant Approved (in Rs Cr)	State/Agency
1	2014-15	15.16	Government of Madhya Pradesh
2	2015-16	-	-
3	2016-17	-	-
4	2017-18	-	-
5	2018-19	5.31	FCI
6	2019-20 (up to 31.05.2019)	-	-
	Total	20.47	
