

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2389
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15TH MARCH, 2023**

INCREASE IN PROCUREMENT CENTRES IN ANDHRA PRADESH

2389. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:

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

- (a) the number of procurement centres opened in Andhra Pradesh in the last five years, Kharif and Rabi season-wise;
- (b) the details of procurement centres set up to procure rice from Andhra Pradesh for the current season;
- (c) whether there are any plans to increase the number of procurement centres; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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**MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)**

(a): Andhra Pradesh is a Decentralized Procurement (DCP) State, wherein procurement is undertaken by State Government through its agencies. The number of procurement centres opened by Andhra Pradesh in the last five years, Kharif and Rabi season is as under:

KMS	Kharif	Rabi
2017-18	1498	1194
2018-19	1542	1152
2019-20	1707	1442
2020-21	2435	1986
2021-22	8896	5188

(b): The details of procurement centres set up to procure paddy from Andhra Pradesh for the current season is as under:-

KMS	Kharif	Rabi
2022-23	6342	3500

(c) & (d): Based on the arrival of paddy, significant number of procurement centres are opened by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh. Procurement centres are opened taking into account the production, marketable surplus, convenience to farmers and availability of other logistics/infrastructure such as storage and transportation etc.
