

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2488  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023**

**SALE OF WHEAT THROUGH E-AUCTION**

**2488. DR. PON GAUTHAM SIGAMANI:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Food Corporation of India has decided to offer 11.72 lakh tonnes of wheat to bulk consumers;**
- (b) if so, whether it is true that the FCI has already sold out nearly 13 lakh tonnes of wheat in the last two weekly e-auctions;**
- (c) whether it is also true that FCI has a plan to sell 25 lakh tonnes of wheat through e-auctions to bulk buyers; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

**A N S W E R**

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

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**(a) to (d): Yes Sir, Government of India on 26.01.2023 has decided to release 30 Lakh Metric Tonne (LMT) of wheat from Food Corporation of India (FCI) stock through Open Market Sale Scheme (Domestic) [OMSS(D)], 2023. Out of 30 LMT, 25 LMT be offered through the e-auction route to traders, flour mills, etc as per the usual process followed by FCI.**

**Further, Government of India on 21.02.2023 has decided that FCI may offload additional quantity of 20 LMT of wheat in open market under OMSS(D) policy, 2023 for sale through E-auction to flour mills/private traders/bulk buyers/manufactures of wheat products.**

**As on 10.03.2023, 5 e-auctions have been conducted wherein total of 28.84 LMT wheat has been sold in the OMSS(D), 2023 to private buyer by Food Corporation of India.**

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