

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2124
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND AUGUST, 2023

OPERATIONAL GODOWNS IN HINGOLI

†2124. SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:

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 godowns of Food Corporation of India in operation in Hingoli Parliamentary constituency in Maharashtra at present;
- (b) whether the foodgrains are stored in these godowns beyond their storage capacity and as a result a large quantity of foodgrains is getting damaged;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has received any proposal or any proposal is pending regarding construction of new godowns in Hingoli Parliamentary constituency in Maharashtra; and
- (e) if so, the time frame set for construction thereof?

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

(a): Food Corporation of India (FCI) has hired storage capacity of 10,000 MT only under Private Warehousing Scheme (PWS) scheme for smooth Public Distribution System (PDS) supply in the revenue district of Hingoli which is under Hingoli Parliamentary constituency.

(b) & (c): No food grains got damaged due to lack of storage facilities. FCI deals with mainly Wheat, Rice and Paddy commodities of foodgrains. It stores and handles large quantities of foodgrains over longer period for distribution under various welfare schemes of Government. FCI also maintains buffer & strategic reserve for the country to ensure food security to the nation. During this process, very negligible quantity of food grains accrued as non-issuable (damaged) due to natural calamities like Cyclone, flood, rain etc. The year-wise detail of accrual of Non-issuable foodgrains against the off-take handled quantity is tabled below:

Accrual of Non-Issuable Foodgrains in FCI			
YEAR	Non Issuable Food grains accrued (Fig. in LMT)	Off-take Quantity (Fig. in LMTs)	% of Damaged Foodgrains against Offtake Quantity
2020-21	0.018	688.566	0.003
2021-22	0.017	766.081	0.002
2022-23	0.016	675.826	0.002

(d) & (e): Tender has been floated for developing Hub Silo of 0.50 LMT in Hingoli Revenue district under phase-II Hub and Spoke model. After award of contract, time period of 270 days is given for fulfilment of Condition Precedents (CPs) and thereafter time of 18 months is given for construction.
