

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 399
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19th NOVEMBER, 2019**

OVERFLOWING FOOD STOCKS WITH FCI

399. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

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

- (a) whether the Ministry/Food Corporation of India has written to the Ministry of External Affairs to help reduce the burden of carrying overflowing food stocks with the Food Corporation of India (FCI) by looking into the possibility of providing surplus food as 'humanitarian aid' to deserving countries;
- (b) if so, the response from the Ministry of External Affairs thereto; and
- (c) the details of the quantum of the excess food stocks available for such 'humanitarian aid'?

**A N S W E R
MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD &
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO)**

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): No concrete proposal regarding liquidating the surplus stock of wheat and rice has been received from Ministry of External Affairs.

(c): As on 1.10.2019 a surplus stock of 187.96 LMT wheat and 146.66 LMT of rice is available with Food Corporation of India for humanitarian aid.
