

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4535
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd MARCH, 2021

OPERATIONAL WAREHOUSE IN RAJASTHAN

†4535. SHRIMATI RANJEETA KOLI:
SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

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

- (a) the district-wise number of warehouses currently operating in Rajasthan for the storage of foodgrains along with the number of warehouses belonging to SFCI and rented warehouses;
- (b) the number of farmers being benefitted from the said warehouses;
- (c) whether the Government has examined that these warehouses are adequate for the procurement of foodgrains from farmers in Rajasthan;
- (d) the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) the quantum of foodgrains rotting/getting spoiled every year; and
- (f) the number of more warehouses proposed to be set up or leased for storage in Rajasthan?

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

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- (a): The details of district-wise number of warehouses currently operating in Rajasthan by Food Corporation of India (FCI) is at Annexure-I.
- (b): 2,19,853 farmers were benefitted from Minimum Support Price (MSP) for wheat procurement in Rajasthan during Rabi Market Season (RMS) 2020-21.

(c)&(d): As per trend of procurement during last 05 years, the storage capacity available in Rajasthan is adequate for storage of procured foodgrains from farmers.

(e): Foodgrain available with FCI is stored and preserved scientifically. FCI is storing/ handling large quantities of foodgrains for the purpose of issuance/distribution under National Food Security Act (NFSA) and other welfare schemes of Government of India.

Out of these Stocks, very small quantity of food grains get damaged mainly due to Natural Calamities like Cyclone/Flood & transit damages viz. en-route damage in wagon/truck due to contamination, wagon roof leakage etc. In some cases, due to negligence of officials/officers, for which suitable disciplinary action are invariably taken against defaulters.

Statement showing State-wise quantum of foodgrains rotting (damaged) during the last 3 years and current year including Rajasthan is at Annexure-II.

(f): FCI continuously assesses and monitors the storage capacity and based on the storage gap assessment, storage capacities are created/hired in the country including Rajasthan.
