GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION & FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 37
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20TH JULY, 2021

STRENGTHENING COLD STORAGE AND WAREHOUSE INFRASTRUCTURE

*37.   SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a)   whether the Government is planning to strengthen cold storage and warehouse infrastructure facilities in the country including Gujarat;

(b)   if so, the details thereof;

(c)   the present capacity of cold storage and warehousing in the country; and

(d)   the details of the cold storage and warehouse infrastructure created during the last three years, State-wise including Gujarat?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री   **(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)**

(a) to (d):   A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 37 DUE FOR REPLY ON 20th JULY, 2021.

(a) & (b): Government is implementing various schemes under which financial assistance is provided for setting up of cold storages and warehouses infrastructure facilities for storage of agriculture and perishable horticulture produce throughout the country including Gujarat.

Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare is implementing Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) under which financial assistance is provided for various horticulture activities including setting up of cold storages. The component is demand/entrepreneur driven for which Government assistance in the form of credit linked back ended subsidy is available at the rate of 35% for general areas and at the rate of 50% in Hilly and Scheduled areas of eligible capital cost of the project for both public and private sector enterprises. The scheme is available for all States/UTs including the State of Gujarat.

Further, Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implementing the Scheme for Integrated Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure as one of the component of Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana with the objective of reducing post-harvest losses of horticulture and non-horticulture produce and providing remunerative price to farmers for their produce. Under the scheme, Ministry provides financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid at the rate of 35% for general areas and 50% for North East States, Himalayan States, ITDP areas and Islands for storage and transport infrastructure and at the rate of 50% and 75% respectively for value addition and processing infrastructure subject to a maximum grant-in-aid of Rs. 10 crore per project for setting up integrated cold chain projects including irradiation facility. Standalone cold storages are not covered under the Scheme. The scheme is available for all States/UTs including the State of Gujarat.

Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare is implementing Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure (AMI), a sub-scheme of Integrated Scheme for Agricultural Marketing (ISAM) across the country including Gujarat. AMI is demand driven, credit linked, back ended subsidy scheme. Under the scheme, subsidy at the rate of 25% for plain areas and 33.33% for NER, hilly area is available for beneficiaries viz, Farmers, Individuals, Agri-preneurs, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Cooperatives, and state agencies etc.for development of Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure Projects including storage infrastructure.

Further, to strengthen agriculture infrastructure in the country, Government has launched Agriculture Infrastructure Funds (AIF) of Rs. 1.0 lakh crore. Under AIF, there is provision for collateral free term loan up to Rs. 2.0 crore and interest subvention of 3% on the term loan availed under AIF. All the post harvest infrastructure including establishment of cold storages and warehouses are eligible for this financing facility through AIF.

(c): The present capacity of cold storages is 37.68 million MT and warehouses is 173.65 million MT in the country.

(d): As per available information, 266 numbers of cold storages with capacity of 1.38 million MT have been created in the country including Gujarat during the last three years under MIDH scheme. Further, 1512 number of warehouses with capacity of 4.00 million MT have been created in the country including Gujarat during last three years under ISAM Scheme. State-wise details of cold storages and warehouses created during last three years in the country including Gujarat are at **Annexure – I** and **Annexure – II** respectively.

State wise cold storage projects sanctioned under MIDH
during last three years (2018-19 to 2020-21)

S. No.	State	No. of Projects	Capacity (in MT)
1	Andhra Pradesh	7	74521
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0
3	Assam	4	34200
4	Bihar	3	22172
5	Chandigarh	0	0
6	Chhattisgarh	1	3243
7	Delhi	0	0
8	Goa	0	0
9	Gujarat	81	326983
10	Haryana	4	10890
11	Himachal Pradesh	10	23025
12	Jammu & Kashmir	15	72238
13	Jharkhand	0	0
14	Karnataka	11	76834
15	Kerala	0	0
16	Madhya Pradesh	4	27993
17	Maharashtra	1	5600
18	Manipur	0	0
19	Meghalaya	0	0
20	Mizoram	0	0
21	Nagaland	0	0
22	Odisha	0	0
23	Punjab	30	160592
24	Rajasthan	15	76034
25	Sikkim	0	0
26	Tamil Nadu	6	37836
27	Telangana	9	67320
28	Tripura	0	0
29	Uttar Pradesh	65	362430
30	Uttrakhand	0	0
31	West Bengal	0	0
	Total	**266**	**1381911**

State-wise details of Storage Infrastructure Projects under AMI sub-scheme of ISAM during last three years (2018-19 to 2020-21)

S.No.	State	No. of Projects	Capacity (in MT)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	95	415810
2.	Assam	9	45471
3.	Bihar	87	192554
4.	Chhattisgarh	4	3372
5.	Gujarat	269	405160
6.	Haryana	259	251367
7.	Himachal Pradesh	1	3340
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	1	5000
9.	Jharkhand	8	35392
10.	Karnataka	100	40207
11.	Kerala	1	4997
12.	Madhya Pradesh	357	1452540
13.	Maharashtra	78	236311
14.	Nagaland	35	32000
15.	Orissa	1	5267
16.	Punjab	8	36245
17.	Rajasthan	81	311926
18.	Tamil Nadu	7	95966
19.	Telangana	83	337218
20.	Uttar Pradesh	15	48833
21.	Uttarakhand	3	19414
22.	West Bengal	10	27907
	Total	**1512**	**4006297**

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