

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

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2336
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3RD AUGUST, 2021**

PROCUREMENT OF RICE AND WHEAT

2336. SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any report from Food Corporation of India (FCI) regarding increase in the procurement cost of wheat, rice and other items;
- (b) if so, the estimated cost of wheat and rice and the total stock of wheat and rice as on date;
- (c) whether the Government will ensure the status quo of the price for wheat and rice will be supplied as per the existing price;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government has any proposal to distribute the excess storage of items at PDS price to the public?

A N S W E R

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

(a): No, Sir.

(b): The Average acquisition cost for 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22 are as under:

Rice :

2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
3023.42	3163.10	3274.85

Rate Rs/Qtl

Wheat:

2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
2071.30	2165.85	2240.62

Rate Rs/Qtl

The total Central Pool stock of wheat & rice as on 16.07.2021 is as under:-

(Fig. in LMT)

Commodity	Stock Position
Rice	293.71
Wheat	589.06
Total	882.77

(c) and (d): Under the National Food Security Act, 2013 the Central Issue Prices of foodgrains i.e. Rs.3/2/1 per kilogram for rice/ wheat/ coarse grains has not been revised since July, 2000.

(e): No, Sir.
