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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2418 TO BE ANSWERED ON 3RD AUGUST, 2021

DHAANYA LAKSHMI SCHEME

2418. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:

SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):

SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO:

DR. JAYANTA KUMAR ROY:

DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:

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 launched the Dhaanya Lakshmi Scheme a Village Storage scheme to be run by the Self Help Groups (SHGs) to provide a good holding capacity and reduce their logistics cost, if so, the details thereof including such village storages created since its inception, State-wise;
- (b) whether Government announced Viability Gap Funding for setting up efficient warehouses at the block/taluk level, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has planned Financing on Negotiable Warehousing Receipts (e-NWR) to be integrated with e-NAM, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the other steps being taken by the Government to undertake warehouse building by the FCI and Central Warehousing Corporation?

 A N S W E R

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

(a): As per the Budget Announcement 2019-20, it was proposed to implement a scheme called "Dhaanya Lakshmi Scheme" for constructing storage facilities for agriculture produce at village level by Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, which is under active consideration.

(b): Storage capacity of FCI is augmented through schemes with varied modes of funding like Central government allocation (Central Sector Scheme "Storage &Godowns" 2017-22 for North East and some other small/remote states), Public Private Partnership [Private Entrepreneurs Guarantee (PEG) Scheme, Construction of Silos under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode, Private Warehousing Scheme (PWS)]

FCI has been constructing silos in VGF mode. Till date, 8 silos under VGF have been awarded and grant has been requested for 3 locations only, as at other locations premium has been received. Locations wise details are Annexed.

(c): Warehouse registered by Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA) can issue electronic Negotiable Warehouse Receipts (eNWRs) against deposited goods of notified commodities. eNWRs can be used for obtaining pledge loans from banks and settlement of contracts in commodity exchanges and off market sale of goods.

An integration of e-NWR and eNAM platform has been completed and any warehouse registered with WDRA and declared as sub mandi by the State Government, can trade on eNAM through e-NWR.

(d): There is a plan to construct total storage capacity of 1,65,450 MT (1,05,890 MT in North East and 59,560 MT in other than North East) by FCI under Central Sector Scheme "Storage & Godown" (focus on NE), 2017-22.

Further, Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) has planned for construction of 16.01 LMT between 2021-22 to 2024-25 through its own funds.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2418 FOR ANSWER ON 03.08.2021 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Silos under VGF mode

Location	Date of Award	Total Project Cost in Crores	Capaci ty in LMT	Grant (G) sought/ Premium (P) received in Rs.	Fixed Storage Charges in Rs per MT/Month	Net Base fixed storage charges in Rs. per MT/Month
Narela, Delhi	30.03.16	41.84	0.5	82,23,000 (P)	97.40	83.70
Changsari, Assam	30.03.16	42.48	0.5	68,22,000 (P)	97.40	86.03
Sahnewal, Punjab	30.03.16	42.37	0.5	66,66,000 (P)	97.40	86.29
Katihar, Bihar	07.03.16	44.63	0.5	20,20,000.00 (P)	97.40	94.03
Dhamora, UP	20.06.19	37.86	0.5	1,50,13,550 (P)	104.44	79.42
Kaimur&B uxar, Bihar*	28.08.18	65.28	0.5 each	7,65,00,000 (G)	66.04	J=
Kotkapura, Punjab	07.03.16	35.62	0.25	5,69,00,000 (G)	97.40	

^{*} Pilot Project for construction of rice silos (37500 MT wheat + 12500 MT rice).