

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2452  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST, 2021

INSTALLATION OF POS MACHINES

†2452. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

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 intends to install Point of Sale (PoS) machines at fair price shops;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of fair price shops in the country, State-wise including Madhya Pradesh;
- (d) whether the Government plans to set-up more fair price shops and construct FCI godowns in the country during forth coming years; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) & (b): Under the Public Distribution System (PDS) reforms, so far, the electronic Point of Sale (ePoS) devices are operational in about 4.98 Lakh (92.7%) Fair Price Shops (FPSs) out of nearly 5.38 Lakh FPSs across the country.

(c): A statement showing State/UT wise number of FPSs, including Madhya Pradesh and total FPSs in the country is at Annexure.

(d) & (e): The Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) under National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA) is operated in joint responsibilities of the Central and State/UT Governments, wherein inter-alia the operational responsibilities of, licensing of FPSs, deciding the number of FPSs, continuous monitoring and oversight of all FPS operations, etc. rests with the concerned State/UT government.

Yes, for construction of FCI Godowns. Government has taken the steps to augment the storage capacity under the extended Central Sector Scheme (2017-2022) totaling to 1,05,890 MT and 59,560 MT capacity for North East States and other than North East States respectively.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2452 FOR ANSER ON 03.08.2021 IN THE LOK SABHA.**

**Statement showing State/UT wise number of FPSs, including Madhya Pradesh, and total FPSs in the country:**

| <b>Sl.</b> | <b>States/UTs</b>           | <b>Total Fair Price Shops</b>          |
|------------|-----------------------------|--|
| 1          | Andaman and Nicobar Islands | 464                                    |
| 2          | Andhra Pradesh              | 28,936                                 |
| 3          | Arunachal Pradesh           | 1,618                                  |
| 4          | Assam                       | 38,237                                 |
| 5          | Bihar                       | 47,032                                 |
| 6          | Chandigarh                  | N.A. (UT under DBT Cash Transfer Mode) |
| 7          | Chhattisgarh                | 12,304                                 |
| 8          | Dadra & NH and Daman Diu    | 114                                    |
| 9          | Delhi                       | 1,998                                  |
| 10         | Goa                         | 456                                    |
| 11         | Gujarat                     | 17,210                                 |
| 12         | Haryana                     | 9,526                                  |
| 13         | Himachal Pradesh            | 4,934                                  |
| 14         | Jammu & Kashmir             | 6,002                                  |
| 15         | Jharkhand                   | 25,532                                 |
| 16         | Karnataka                   | 19,935                                 |
| 17         | Kerala                      | 14,189                                 |
| 18         | Ladakh                      | 409                                    |
| 19         | Lakshadweep                 | 39                                     |
| 20         | Madhya Pradesh              | 25,133                                 |
| 21         | Maharashtra                 | 52,532                                 |
| 22         | Manipur                     | 2,765                                  |
| 23         | Meghalaya                   | 4,735                                  |
| 24         | Mizoram                     | 1,245                                  |
| 25         | Nagaland                    | 1,629                                  |
| 26         | Odisha                      | 12,577                                 |
| 27         | Puducherry                  | N.A. (UT under DBT Cash Transfer Mode) |
| 28         | Punjab                      | 17,525                                 |
| 29         | Rajasthan                   | 25,682                                 |
| 30         | Sikkim                      | 1,362                                  |
| 31         | Tamil Nadu                  | 34,776                                 |
| 32         | Telangana                   | 17,170                                 |
| 33         | Tripura                     | 1,806                                  |
| 34         | Uttarakhand                 | 9,200                                  |
| 35         | Uttar Pradesh               | 80,493                                 |
| 36         | West Bengal                 | 20,261                                 |
|            | <b>Total</b>                | <b>5,37,826</b>                        |