

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1244
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH FEBRUARY, 2022**

STOCK OF WHEAT

1244. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

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

- (a) whether Food Corporation of India's (FCI) stock of wheat has increased beyond the buffer requirement in the recent months;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the stock of wheat with the FCI, month-wise for the last twelve months as well as storage and financing costs, reasons for such increase and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether there is a storage capacity utilisation nearing or beyond a 100% in a few warehouses and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to augment storage; and
- (d) the details of total storage capacity available with FCI, capacity utilisation and sale of stock made via OMSS in the last twelve months, month-wise, State-wise including Bihar?

**A N S W E R
THE MINISTER OF STATE CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. The details of stock of wheat vis-à-vis foodgrains stocking norms for the last twelve months is as under:

In lakh tons

AS ON	Actual stock	Foodgrains Stocking norms
01.01.2021	342.90	138.00
01.02.2021	318.31	
01.03.2021	295.41	

.....2/-

01.04.2021	273.04	74.60
01.05.2021	525.65	
01.06.2021	602.91	
01.07.2021	603.56	275.80
01.08.2021	564.8	
01.09.2021	517.87	
01.10.2021	468.52	205.20
01.11.2021	419.81	
01.12.2021	378.53	

For 2021-22(RE), Storage and financing cost of wheat is Rs.20.95 per quintal per month.

Procurement Policy of the Government is open ended. The objective of foodgrains procurement by Government agencies is to ensure that farmers get remunerative prices for their produce and do not have to resort to distress sale.

(c): Yes Sir, There are a few warehouses owned by FCI in which capacity utilization is nearing or beyond 100% on a monthly average basis. Details of such warehouses (as on 01.01.2022) are enclosed as Annexure-I.

FCI continuously assesses and monitors the storage capacity and based on the storage gap assessment, storage capacities are augmented through following schemes.

- 1. Private Entrepreneurs Guarantee (PEG) Scheme**
- 2. Central Sector Scheme (CSS)**
- 3. Construction of Silo's under PPP mode**
- 4. Hiring of godown from CWCs/SWCs/State Agencies**
- 5. Hiring of godown through Private Warehousing Scheme (PWS)**

.....3/-

(d): As on 01.01.2022, Covered Storage capacity available with FCI for storage of central pool foodgrains stock is 426.98 Lakh MT. The State-wise details along with capacity utilization are enclosed at Annexure-II

State-wise/ month-wise sale of foodgrains (wheat and rice) under OMSS during the last twelve months i.e from January 2021 to December 2021 including Bihar is at Annexure -III & IV.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1244 FOR ANSWER ON 09.02.2022 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Details of FCI owned Warehouses wherein Capacity utilization is near or beyond 100% (status as on 01.01.2022)			
Sl. No.	State	Warehouse	Utilization %age
1	Haryana (6)	FSD BAWANI KHERA	101.85%
2		FSD KALANWALI	98.79%
3		FSD TOHANA	95.92%
4		FSD AMBALA CANTT	96.89%
5		MG SAFIDON	96.83%
6		SONEPAT	96.43%
7	Punjab (2)	NIHALSINGHWALA FSD	96.38%
8		AHMEDGARH	95.63%
9	RAJASTHAN (1)	FSD SRIBIJAYANAGAR	96.32%
10	MP (4)	RATLAM FSD	95.75%
11		MEGHNAGAR FSD	102.64%
12		ASHOKNAGAR FSD	98.60%
13		BETUL FSD	95.18%
14	Assam (1)	GOSSAIGAON	95.89%
