

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1310
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH FEBRUARY, 2022

FOODGRAINS WASTED IN HARYANA

†1310. **SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:**

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

- (a) the quantum of foodgrains in tonnes wasted during each year from 2015 to February 2022, State-wise including Haryana;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to check wastage of foodgrains;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme in which farmers may store foodgrains in their homes and they may be paid Rs. 400-500 per quintal to avoid the said wastage and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government also proposes to formulate any scheme to avoid huge wastage of foodgrains; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a): The Region-wise details on the quantum of foodgrains, which got damaged in godowns of Food Corporation of India (FCI) from 2015-16 to 2021-22 (as on 31.12.2021) including Haryana is as under:

(Figs. in Tonnes)

Region	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 (as on 31.12.21)
Bihar	46	0	1617	3568	0	5	41

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Jharkhand	0	0	45	31	0	12	10
Odisha	26	1	0	2	87	1445	3
West Bengal	12	0	0	12	0	79	179
Assam	120	205	328	868	2	28	7
NEF	210	105	92	58	27	0	15
Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nagaland	11	3	0	0	0	0	0
Manipur	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delhi	16	12	14	2	44	34	47
Haryana	0	0	0	0	286	0	0
Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J & K	0	0	0	0	0	8	242
Punjab	30	8	211	318	56	25	96
Rajasthan	2	125	1	0	2	84	35
Uttar Pradesh	116	48	243	116	26	69	78
Uttarakhand	0	0	0	0	0	0	592
Andhra Pradesh	2202	6	0	0	640	0	28
Kerala	179	88	2	113	32	14	92
Karnataka	35	13	75	53	10	8	1
Tamil Nadu	30	66	16	6	1	0	0
Gujarat	16	119	6	19	694	34	20
Maharashtra	56	7963	15	35	18	0	133
Madhya Pradesh	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
Chhattisgarh	7	12	0	7	5	6	0
Country Total	3116	8776	2663	5213	1930	1850	1620

(b): Steps taken by the Government to prevent wastage of foodgrains are enclosed at Annexure.

(c): No such scheme has been formulated by the Department.

(d) & (e): The steps taken by the Government to avoid wastage of foodgrains are enclosed at Annexure. (refer to reply at SI No.(b) above).

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1310 FOR ANSWER ON 09.02.2022 IN LOK SABHA

Steps taken by the Government to prevent wastage of foodgrains are as under:

- (i) All godowns are constructed as per specifications.
- (ii) Foodgrains are stored by adopting proper scientific code of storage practices.
- (iii) Adequate dunnage materials such as wooden crates, bamboo mats, polythene sheets are used to check migration of moisture from the floor to the foodgrains.
- (iv) Fumigation covers, nylon ropes, nets and insecticides for control of stored grain insect pests are provided in all the godowns.
- (v) Prophylactic (spraying of insecticides) and curative treatments (fumigation) are carried out regularly and timely in godowns for the control of stored grain insect pests.
- (vi) Effective rat control measures are taken.
- (vii) Foodgrains in 'Cover and Plinth' (CAP) storage are stored on elevated plinths and wooden crates are used as dunnage material. Stacks are properly covered with specifically fabricated low-density black polythene water -proof covers and tied with nylon ropes/nets.
- (viii) Regular periodic inspections of the stocks/godowns are undertaken by qualified and trained staff and all senior officers. The health of the foodgrains is monitored at regular intervals by a system of checks and super checks at different levels.
- (ix) The principle of "First in First Out" (FIFO) is followed to the extent possible so as to avoid longer storage of foodgrains in godowns.
- (x) Only covered rail wagons are used for movement of foodgrains so as to avoid damage during transit.
- (xi) Identification & repair of all the leakage point in the roof is done periodically.
- (xii) Cleaning of drainages in the godown premises is ensured.
- (xiii) No seepage inside the godowns is ensured.
- (xiv) No clogging up of water in the premises is insured.
