GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2489 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH MARCH, 2022

ALLOCATION OF MODERN STEEL SILOS

2489. SHRI P RAVINDHRANATH:

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 details of Statewise allocation of modern steel silos that are expected to be set up in 249 sites across the country;

(b) if so, the criteria on which each State has qualified for allocation of the above sites;

(c) the details of the region-wise allocation of budget to the Food Corporation of India for establishing these modern steel silos;

(d) the number of such sites approved for Tamil Nadu; and

(e) if so, the details of the number of sites in which private participation is planned in Tamil Nadu?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The criteria for assessment of capacity of silos to be developed in a state is based upon storage gap assessment taking into account following factors:

- > Three years peak stock position in procuring areas.
- Distribution of buffer norms in proportion of National Food Security Act (NFSA) allocation of Wheat in consuming States. Accordingly, requirement of storage capacity has been worked out on the basis of allotment of 17.75 months of Wheat and 4 months of Rice in a particular State/UT.

(c): Since projects are proposed under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode, no allocation of budget is required.

(d): Since only wheat Silo is proposed, no site is planned for Tamil Nadu.

(e): Question does not arise.