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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1729 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH JULY, 2022

CONDITION OF GODOWNS

†1729. SHRI DULAL CHAND GOSWAMI:

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

- (a) the remedial measures taken/being taken to improve the condition of godowns in Bihar particularly in Katihar constituency;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the foodgrains are also stored in rented godowns; and
- (d) if so, the annual expenditure being incurred thereon?

ANSWER

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

(a)&(b): Remedial measures taken/ being taken by Food Corporation of India (FCI) to improve the condition of godowns in Bihar Region are regular Repair and Maintenance work such as Repair of Boundary Wall, Roads, Godowns Ancillaries, Roofing with Iron Profile Sheets, White Washing of godowns etc. including Katihar Division.

Details of Engineering works executed by FCI in last 3 years in Bihar region including Katihar are Annexed.

In addition, Quality Council of India (QCI) has been engaged to review current standards & guidelines and benchmark them to global best practices & international standards and suggest relevant changes, wherever required. Third Party Assessment of all Warehouses owned and hired by FCI has been completed by Quality Council of India (QCI). Based on feedback given in assessment of QCI, the Action Plan for improvement of infrastructure of the depots is prepared. Besides this, WDRA certification/registration of all owned and hired godowns is envisaged.

Further, In order to modernize food grain storage, a Silo of capacity 50000 MT at Deharia Katihar is also functional.

- (c): Yes, Sir.
- (d): Total expenditure incurred on account of rented godown in Bihar Region is Rs. 75,87,25,376/- for the Financial Year 2021-22.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1729 FOR ANSWER ON 27.07.2022 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Detail of work completed by FCI during last three financial year

	Name of Work	Remarks
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No		
1	Conversion of valley gutter godown into single span along with profile sheet roofing at FSD Katihar	Work Completed
2.	Conversion of valley gutter of Rail fed godown no. 16,17 & 18 into single span alongwith profile sheet roofing at FSD Mokama	Work Completed
3.	S/R to sunken floor at FSD Mokama	Work Completed
4.	ARMO works at FSD Darbhanga for the year 2019-20	Work Completed
5.	Special Repair to godown at FSD Saharsa under DO Saharsa	Work Completed
6.	Replacement of completely damaged bituminous road with Cement Concrete road at FSD Gaya	Work Completed
7.	Replacement of completely damaged bituminous road with Cement Concrete road at FSD Mokama	Work Completed
8.	Replacement of completely damaged bituminous road with Cement Concrete road at FSD Katihar	Work Completed
9.	Replacement of completely damaged approach road with CC Road at ASD Buxar	Work Completed
10.	Providing and fixing Monkey gate/shutter at FSD Buxar	Work Completed

Apart from above major works, a number of petty works have been carried out for upgradation of godowns.

The details of expenditure incurred for last three financial under different heads are as follow:

Figures are in Lakh			
FY	Annual Repair and	Cement Concrete	Minor Capital
	Maintenance Operations	(CC) Road	Works (MCW)
	(ARMO)		
2019-20	253.44	263.48	0.00
2020-21	111.09	0.00	9.26
2021-22	64.90	25.96	268.34
