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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.245 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24th JULY, 2024

NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY ACT

245 SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

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

- (a) whether there is sufficient stock of foodgrains to meet the requirement of National Food Security Act (NFSA), other schemes and additional requirement of other welfare schemes and Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the quantity of buffer stock of food grains maintained by the Food Corporation of India (FCI);
- (d) whether there is any diversion of these grains from the stocks of these grains; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRIMATI NIMUBEN JAYANTIBHAI BAMBHANIYA)

(a & b): Total stock of foodgrains in the Central Pool as on 01.07.2024 is 608.75 Lakh MT as against the Foodgrain Stocking Norms of 411.20 Lakh MT, which is sufficient to meet the requirement under Targeted Public Distribution System(TPDS), Other Welfare Schemes(OWS) and other schemes of the Government.

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(c): The details of stock of foodgrains in the Central Pool vis a vis Foodgrains stocking norms during 2024 is as follows:

(Figures in Lakh MT)

AS ON	WHEAT		RICE		TOTAL	
	Actual stock	Foodgrains Stocking norms	Actual stock	Foodgrains Stocking norms	Actual stock	Foodgrains Stocking norms
1.01.2024	163.53	138.00	181.76	76.10	345.29	214.10
1.04.2024	75.02	74.60	301.57	135.80	376.59	210.40
1.07.2024	282.61	275.80	326.14	135.40	608.75	411.20

(d & e): Foodgrains procured for the Central Pool are utilized for the requirement of the TPDS, OWS, Open Market Sale Scheme(Domestic) and other schemes of the Government.
