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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2682 TO BE ANSWERED ON 7^{TH} AUGUST, 2024

CONSTRUCTION OF WAREHOUSES AND GODOWNS

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

- (a) the number of warehouses and godowns constructed under Public Private Partnership during the last three years in the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) whether the Government plans to develop any new warehouses/godowns in Tamil Nadu under Public Private Partnership during the next financial year; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRIMATI NIMUBEN JAYANTIBHAI BAMBHANIYA)

- (a): No godown/Silos has been constructed in Tamil Nadu under Public Private Partnership by Food Corporation of India (FCI) during the last three years.
- (b) & (c): Food Corporation of India (FCI) mainly stores food grains (wheat & rice) after procurement for Public Distribution System (PDS) and for maintaining buffer stock, to ensure food security in the country.

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Requirement of Storage capacity in FCI depends upon the level of procurement, requirement of buffer norms and Public Distribution System (PDS) operations for food grains (Rice and Wheat). FCI continuously assesses and monitors the storage capacity and based on the requirement and storage gap assessment, storage capacities are created/hired through following schemes at a Pan India level including Tamil Nadu:-

- 1. Construction of Silos under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode
- 2. Private Entrepreneurs Guarantee (PEG) Scheme under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode
- 3. Creation of godowns under Asset Monetization under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode
- 4. Central Sector Scheme "Storage & Godowns"
- 5. Hiring of godown from Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC)/ State Warehousing Corporations (SWCs)/State Agencies
- 6. Private Warehousing Scheme (PWS)
