

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.321
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24th JULY, 2024

LOSSES OF FOODGRAINS

321 SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

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 is aware that the foodgrains procured by the Government gets damaged by rodents and other forms of decaying insects during monsoon due to improper storage;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the losses on this count across the country;
- (c) the details of the losses which are estimated for the State of Bihar and the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (d) the total storage of foodgrains which is done by Food Corporation of India (FCI) in Bihar and the damage noticed thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS,
FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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(a) to (c): There are no such instances reported of Central Pool foodgrains stocks (wheat and rice) getting damaged by rodents and other forms of decaying insects during monsoon season due to improper storage.

(d): As on 01.07.2024, a quantity of 15,01,697 MT foodgrains stored by the Food Corporation of India (FCI) and State Government Agencies in the State of Bihar. Further, no quantity of damaged foodgrain has been noticed during the current year.
