

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

**LOK SABHA**  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2929  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2025**

**DEPOT DARPAN PORTAL**

**2929. SHRI SELVAM G:**

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a): whether the Government has implemented or is in the process of implementing the Depot Darpan Portal and mobile application in warehouses across the State of Tamil Nadu under the initiative for scientific warehousing and smart monitoring of foodgrain depots;
- (b): if so, the number and names of warehouses in Tamil Nadu that have been onboarded on the Depot Darpan platform;
- (c): the details of the infrastructural and operational parameters assessed under the system;
- (d): whether any warehouses in Tamil Nadu have received composite star ratings based on these evaluations and if so, the details thereof;
- (e): whether the Government proposes to expand AI-enabled technologies like bag counting, Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) and Face Recognition Systems (FRS) in warehouses in Tamil Nadu and across the southern region; and
- (f): the details of the measures taken by the Government to ensure supervisory validation and continuous improvement in warehousing operations and food safety in Tamil Nadu through the Depot Darpan initiative?

**A N S W E R**  
MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS,  
FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
**(SHRIMATI NIMUBEN JAYANTIBHAI BAMBHANIYA)**

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(a) & (b): Yes. The Government has implemented the **Depot Darpan portal** and its mobile application for all owned and hired depots across pan India of Food Corporation of India (FCI) and Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) including those in the state of Tamil Nadu. Details are at **Annexure I**.

(c) & (d): The warehouses are assessed based on two main parameters :-

1. **Operational Efficiency (60% weightage):** Occupancy, Cost metrics like transit/storage loss, Handling Cost, Demurrage, and Manpower Expenses.
2. **Infrastructural Efficiency (40% weightage):** including Safety, Operational, Environmental, and Statutory aspects

Each category is evaluated independently, and the depots receive a 5-Star rating based on the composite scoring from both parameters.

Assessment and review of FCI and CWC's (owned and hired) depots has been completed in Tamil Nadu region and based on this, each depot has received star ratings in depot darpan portal.

Details are enclosed at **Annexure-I**

(e): AI-enabled technologies like bag counting and automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) is in the process of implementation under the Smart Warehouse project in FCI owned depots. However, Face recognition system (FRS) is not provisioned in the project.

(f): The depots are being assessed and evaluated half-yearly. Further a trigger alert mechanism is being maintained wherein triggers are generated for any shortfall during assessments. The same are being attended by the concerned officers in a time bound manner

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**Annexure - I****Details of ratings in FCI owned/hired depots in Depot Darpan Portal of TamilNadu region**

S.No.	Depot Name	Current Rating
1	PEELAMADU FCI COVERED	4-Stars
2	EGMORE FCI COVERED	3-Stars
3	TNWC PEG KARAIKUDI	5-Stars
4	ELAVUR(SILO) PVT SILO	5-Stars
5	CWC CUDDALORE	3-Stars
6	TUTICORIN FCI COVERED	4-Stars
7	NAGAR KOIL CWC COVERED	5-Stars
8	MADURAI CWC COVERED	5-Stars
9	SEMBANARKOIL FCI COVERED	5-Stars
10	THANJAVUR CWC COVERED	5-Stars
11	CHINNA SALEM SWC COVERED	5-Stars
12	ARKONAM FCI COVERED	4-Stars
13	COIMBATORE FCI COVERED	3-Stars
14	MOOLAPALAYAN CWC COVERED	3-Stars
15	CWC.HOSUR	3-Stars
16	NAMAKKAL PWS	5-Stars
17	TNWC TIRUPPUR	5-Stars
18	TNWC KARAIKUDI	4-Stars
19	CWC Chidambaram	5-Stars
20	PWS MADURANTAKAM	5-Stars
21	SALEM SWC COVERED	5-Stars
22	TNWC NAMAKKAL	5-Stars
23	CWC, UDUMALPET	5-Stars
24	VIRUDUNAGAR CWC COVERED	4-Stars
25	TIRUNELVELI SWC COVERED	5-Stars

26	PALAYAKOTTI SWC COVERED	5-Stars
27	TNWC AMBASAMUTHRAM	4-Stars
28	DINDIGUL SWC COVERED	5-Stars
29	TNWC BATLAGUNDU	5-Stars
30	KARAIKAL FCI COVERED	5-Stars
31	T.V.KOIL FCI COVERED	5-Stars
32	TNWC VILLUPURAM	5-Stars
33	AVADI FCI COVERED	3-Stars
34	TNWC PEG DHARMAPURI	5-Stars
35	TRICHY CWC COVERED	5-Stars
36	TRICHY SWC COVERED	5-Stars
37	SEVOOR FCI COVERED	5-Stars
38	SALEM FCI COVERED	3-Stars
39	RAMANATHPURAM FCI COVERED	4-Stars
40	TNWC PEG MUTHOOR	5-Stars
41	TNWC THOMAS SPINNING MILL	4-Stars
42	TNWC PUDUKOTTAI	4-Stars
43	CHIDAMBARAM(MRM) FCI COVERED	5-Stars
44	COIMBATORE(MADUKARA) PVT SILO	5-Stars
45	TNWC RAMNAD PEG	5-Stars
46	TNWC MANAMADURAI	4-Stars
47	PWS VILLUPURAM	4-Stars

Details of ratings in CWC depots in Depot Darpan Portal of TamilNadu region			
S No	State	Warehouse	Star Rating
1	TAMIL NADU	CFS TUTICORIN	5
2	TAMIL NADU	CHIDAMBARAM	5
3	TAMIL NADU	CUDDALORE	4
4	TAMIL NADU	HOSUR(PEG)	5
5	TAMIL NADU	KUMBAKONAM	5
6	TAMIL NADU	MADURAI	5
7	TAMIL NADU	MANNARGUDI	3
8	TAMIL NADU	MOOLAPALAYAM	4
9	TAMIL NADU	NAGERCOIL	5
10	TAMIL NADU	ROYAPURAM	4
11	TAMIL NADU	THANJAVUR	2
12	TAMIL NADU	TRICHY	5
13	TAMIL NADU	UDUMALPET	5
14	TAMIL NADU	VIRUDHUNAGAR	4

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