

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4407
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH AUGUST, 2025

PDS WAREHOUSES

4407 SHRI SURESH KUMAR KASHYAP:

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

- (a) the measures taken to ensure safety, hygiene and quality control for effective preservation of foodgrains in Public Distribution System (PDS) warehouses; and
- (b) the manner in which the digital equipment and monitoring systems such as Internet of Things (IoT) based sensors have been integrated into the warehouse operations under PDS?

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

(a): The foodgrains meant for central pool are procured strictly as per the uniform specifications formulated by the Department of Food and Public Distribution. The procured foodgrains are stored in scientifically build godowns by adopting scientific code of storage practices. Further, the CCTV cameras and fire fighting equipments are also installed at godowns for safety of stored foodgrains.

(b): A pilot project is being implemented with smart warehousing technologies, creating a seamless digital monitoring ecosystem that includes CCTV surveillance and Internet of Things (IoT) based sensors to monitor key parameters.
