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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4434 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH AUGUST, 2025

FOODGRAINS WASTAGE UNDER FCI

4434 SHRI TANUJ PUNIA:

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

- (a) the details of quantity of foodgrains damaged, wasted or lost in transit and storage under Food Corporation of India (FCI) between April 2023 and March 2025, including the monetary value of such losses, State-wise;
- (b) whether they are recoverable under insurance or through departmental accountability and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether FCI stores its foodgrains in rented warehouses and if so, the details of amount being spent on this annually;
- (d) the details of the steps taken by the Government to modernise FCI godowns and introduce end-to-end digitisation of inventory; and
- (e) whether any FCI or State-level officials have been penalised for negligence in these losses and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): The Food Corporation of India (FCI) procures, stores and handles huge quantities of foodgrains in a scientific manner. Despite handling of crores of tons of foodgrains across the country in all climatic zones, a negligible quantity of foodgrains accrue as damaged mainly due to natural calamities *viz.* flood, cyclone, heavy rains etc.

The details on the State-wise storage and transit losses of foodgrains along with the monetary value reported during April 2023 to March 2025 is enclosed at Annexure A & B respectively.

- (b): Each and every case of loss beyond the norms is investigated and departmental actions/recoveries are initiated against the negligent officials found responsible.
- (c): Yes. FCI stores its foodgrains in rented warehouses also. A total of Rs. 348482.30 lakh (unaudited) has been paid by the FCI as warehouse rent during financial year 2024-25.

(d): In order to keep its storage infrastructure robust and updated, the FCI is taking various steps for modernization. The details are as under:

Implementation of Depot Darpan Platform: Depot Darpan is a digital self-assessment and monitoring platform to enhance the infrastructure and operational efficiency of foodgrain storage depots.

Upgradation of FCI owned godowns: For upgradation of FCI owned godowns, the capital budget has been allocated under 'Transformation of FCI' initiative.

(e): The region-wise details of the number of disciplinary cases initiated against the officials of FCI for foodgrains damaged, wasted or lost in transit and storage in FCI between April 2023 and March 2025 are as under:

Name of Region	Number of disciplinary cases			
	2023-2024	2024-2025		
Uttar Pradesh	35	49		
Punjab	37	18		
Rajasthan	3	3		
Delhi	43	14		
Haryana	5	7		
Arunachal Pradesh	1	0		
Assam	1	1		
Manipur	1	0		
Gujarat	5	5		
Maharashtra	179	103		
Madhya Pradesh	17	0		
Chhattisgarh	89	28		
Andhra Pradesh	21	7		
Kerala	30	4		
Bihar	84	30		
Jharkhand	8	4		
Odisha	12	11		
West Bengal	57	65		

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4434 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 20.08.2025 IN LOK SABHA

State wise details of Storage Losses (Wheat+Rice) reported during the year 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 are as under:

(Figures in MT, Values in Rs. Crore)

Name of Daries	2022 2024	(Figures in MT, Values in Rs. Crore)				
Name of Region	2023-2024	T	2024-25	T		
	Quantity Loss	Value	Quantity Loss	Value		
Punjab	-55799	-126.62	-23274	-33.81		
Haryana	-46544	-110.10	-33216	-75.85		
Uttar Pradesh	-7958	-11.32	-3506	2.37		
Uttarakhand	-449	-0.83	-244	-0.27		
Rajasthan	-5436	-12.65	-6829	-16.94		
J&K	687	2.72	791	3.17		
Delhi	-280	-0.16	192	1.24		
HP	-273	-0.58	-281	-0.61		
Maharashtra	5145	19.17	5608	21.60		
Gujarat	-234	3.41	1053	6.95		
MP	-75257	-177.40	-14271	-33.84		
Chhattisgarh	4635	17.05	5094	19.16		
Andhra Pradesh	-242	-0.68	2260	8.69		
Karnataka	1840	7.00	1757	7.19		
Tamil Nadu	470	2.28	66	1.18		
Kerala	-924	-1.92	-848	-1.73		
Telangana	-4367	-15.66	-3420	-12.61		
West Bengal	-2759	-5.89	-290	1.28		
Odisha	-1570	-5.10	155	0.92		
Bihar	142	1.58	779	4.33		
Jharkhand	654	2.81	1112	4.59		
NEF	222	0.83	185	0.75		
Assam	856	3.17	349	1.39		
Nagaland	165	0.60	150	0.56		
Arunachal Pradesh	48	0.18	33	0.12		
Manipur	31	0.11	43	0.16		

Remark: (-) indicates Gain.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4434 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 20.08.2025 IN LOK SABHA

State-wise details on the Transit Losses (Wheat+Rice) reported during the year 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 are as under:

(Figures in MT, Values in Rs. Crore)

Name of Region	2023-2024		res in M1, Values in Rs. Crore) 2024-2025	
	Quantity Loss	Value	Quantity Loss	Value
Punjab	-	-	-	-
Haryana	-	<u> </u>	-	-
Uttar Pradesh	16850	48.37	14289	42.82
Uttarakhand	645	1.53	274	0.70
Rajasthan	1686	4.09	1695	4.35
J&K	1152	3.70	1032	3.65
Delhi	216	0.57	868	2.98
HP	79	0.22	205	0.63
Maharashtra	7912	24.78	10853	35.07
Gujarat	4322	14.00	6278	20.52
MP	6	0.02	22	0.08
Chhattisgarh	297	0.70	302	0.76
Andhra Pradesh	439	1.28	218	0.71
Karnataka	3278	11.50	5022	18.56
Tamil Nadu	455	1.82	1059	4.02
Kerala	811	2.88	1018	3.77
Telangana	266	0.63	199	0.50
West Bengal	7653	21.79	5740	16.10
Odisha	890	2.11	534	1.34
Bihar	8879	27.59	8741	27.84
Jharkhand	5250	17.30	4995	17.11
NEF	1687	5.92	1863	6.85
Assam	6270	20.73	6185	22.59
Nagaland	808	2.95	873	3.28
Arunachal Pradesh	246	0.90	318	1.19
Manipur	506	1.85	465	1.75