

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3602
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH AUGUST, 2015

VILLAGE GRAIN BANKS

3602. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA:

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

- (a) the total number of Village Grain Banks (VGBs) set up State-wise;
- (b) whether the functioning of the scheme has been evaluated periodically by the World Food Programme and if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the benefits accruing to the BPL families therefrom; and
- (c) the quantum of foodgrains allocated and released to these VGBs during each of the last three years, State-wise?

A N S W E R
MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) to (c): The Village Grain Banks (VGBs) Scheme has been discontinued w.e.f. 1.1.2014 after its evaluation. During the operation of the scheme a total number of 17,491 VGBs were set up in the States as per Annex. In the span of last three years 364 tons of foodgrain (rice) was allocated and released to State Government of Nagaland in 2012-13.

ANNEX

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3602 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 11.08.2015 IN THE LOK SABHA

STATEMENT SHOWING NUMBER OF VILLAGE GRAIN BANKS REPORTED BY STATE GOVERNMENTS HAVING BEEN SET UP.

S. No.	Name of state	VGB set up by the States (reported till date).
1.	Maharashtra	1290
2	Andhra Pradesh	6585
3	West Bengal	1590
4	Kerala	387
5	Gujarat	226
6	Madhya Pradesh	2644
7	Orissa	448
8	Tripura	103
9	Chhattisgarh	1904
10	Jharkhand	583
11	Meghalaya	40
12	Uttar Pradesh	500
13	Assam	67
14	Nagaland	877
15	Uttarakhand	55
16	Manipur	192
	Total	17491
