

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 80
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST JULY, 2015

DECLINE IN STOCKS

80. DR. KAMBHAMPATI HARIBABU:
SHRI RAGHAV LAKHANPAL:

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

- (a) whether the stocks of foodgrains and other essential commodities have been declining during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor indicating the buffer norms and actual stocks of these commodities during the last three years;
- (c) whether the stocks are adequate to meet the requirement under the Public Distribution System (PDS) and other schemes;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken to maintain adequate stock by FCI?

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

(a) & (b): The stock of foodgrains (rice and wheat) in the Central Pool during the last three years was well above the minimum buffer norms (now defined as 'Foodgrains stocking norms for the Central Pool'). Statement showing actual stock vis-à-vis Foodgrains stocking norms for the Central Pool during the last three years is at Annex-I.

(c) to (e): The stock of foodgrains in the Central Pool as on 1.7.2015 was 545.75 lakh tons as against the foodgrains stocking norms for the Central Pool of 411.20 lakh tons for July-September quarter which is adequate to meet the requirement under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and Other Welfare Schemes (OWS) as per the existing level of allocation.

ANNEX-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 80 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 21.07.2015 IN THE LOK SABHA

STOCK POSITION OF WHEAT AND RICE IN THE CENTRAL POOL VIS A VIS FOODGRAINS STOCKING NORMS FOR CENTRAL POOL

(in lakh tons)

AS ON	W H E A T		R I C E		T O T A L	
	Actual stock	Foodgrains Stocking norms For Central Pool	Actual stock	Foodgrains Stocking norms For Central Pool	Actual stock	Foodgrains Stocking norms For Central Pool
1.1.2012	256.76	112	297.18	138	553.94	250
1.4.2012	199.52	70	333.50	142	533.02	212
1.7.2012	498.08	201	307.08	118	805.16	319
1.10.2012	431.53	140	233.73	72	665.26	212
1.1.2013	343.83	112	322.21	138	666.04	250
1.4.2013	242.07	70	354.68	142	596.75	212
1.7.2013	423.97	201	315.08	118	739.05	319
1.10.2013	361.00	140	190.33	72	551.33	212
1.1.2014	280.47	112	146.98	138	427.45	250
1.4.2014	178.34	70	202.78	142	381.12	212
1.7.2014	398.01	201	212.36	118	610.37	319
1.10.2014	322.63	140	154.22	72	476.85	212
1.1.2015	251.13	138.00	117.43	76.10	368.56	214.10
1.4.2015	172.21	74.60	170.94	135.80	343.15	210.40
1.7.2015	386.80	275.80	158.95	135.40	545.75	411.20

Note 1: Revsied norms is w.e.f. 22.1.2015

Note 2: Foodgrains Stocking norms for Central Pool includes Strategic Reserve of 30 lakh tons of wheat and 20 lakh tons of rice
