GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFCONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION **RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO07.03.2011 ANSWERED ON**

STORAGE CAPACITY FOR FOODGRAINS.

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

(a) the availability of godowns alongwith the storage capacity for safe storage of foodgrains in view of the projection of good harvest of foodgrains in 2010-2011;

(b) the number of godowns available for storing new harvest out of the available godowns;

(c) whether any storages have been built to store foodgrains during the last three years;

(d) if so, the present storage capacity of these godowns; and

(e) the quantum of foodgrains got spoiled during the last three years and the cost thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a): As on 31.01.2011 the Food Corporation of India (FCI) is having a total storage capacity of 311.20 lakh MTs both owned and hired from different agencies including Covered and Cover and Plinth (CAP). The State-wise details are given at Annexure-I. The General Managers (Region) of FCI have also been given full powers for hiring of private godowns for short term usage.

(b): The details of number of godowns available with FCI both owned and hired from different agencies including Covered and Cover and Plinth (CAP) capacities are given at Annexure-II

(c) & (d): The details of storage capacity created by the FCI during the last three years are as under:-

(Figures in MTs) Year Total Storage Capacity Created 2007-08 17090 2008-09 2500 2009-10 9170

(e) : The details of quantum of foodgrains got spoiled during the last three years and the cost thereof are as under:- Year Quantity of Accrual of Non-issuable Foodgrains

(in LMTs) Approx. value

(in Rs Crore) 2007-08 0.34 22.33 2008-09 0.20 13.03 2009-10 0.07 3.63 2010-11 0.06 2.92 Value of nonissuable stock has been calculated on the basis of Feed-I category of Wheat, Rice and Coarsegrains @75% of Central Issue Price for APL families (CIP for APL for Wheat is Rs. 610/- per qtl, Rice Gr. A is Rs. 830/per qtl. and Coarse grains is Rs. 450/- per qtl.)