

Title : Regarding development of Ambala as a ware housing hub -laid.

SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA (AMBALA): I would like to draw the attention of Hon”ble food and PDS minister towards the fact that as GST unifies market, my Ambala Lok Sabha constituency has a great potential to set up a Majestic warehousing hub. Ambala is well connected to 0.1. Road and has best Railway facilities and international airport at Mohali.

A huge investment infrastructure may play a significant role as large planned Investments such as Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFCs) in road, rails and Airways across India will bolster trade and consequently raise warehousing demand. Investment in infrastructure in Ambala will reduce the pressure on Delhi and NCR region. For eg: Kalka in my Lok Sabha constituency is the Gateway to Himachal Pradesh and all the fruits and vegetables are supplied to Delhi from here. If Ambala will be the warehousing hub then we can prevent rotting of fruits and vegetables.

This warehousing hub may include a hub from Yamunanagar to Ambala, Panchkula to Ambala, Chandigarh to Ambala, Patiala to Ambala. Ambala is also a Centre place on 01 Road for Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh, Punjab, Chandigarh, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Western UP. as the price of land is going up in Delhi and NCR region, it is very difficult to set up Infrastructure in this region. As consumption led demand for warehousing is likely to grow at faster pace, the advent of Electronic retailing (e-tail) in the past few years has

necessitated the need for huge warehouses close to Urban centres in order to deliver in the shortest possible time.

Leading E-Commerce players in India and players such as Amazon, Flipkart and Snapdeal have been expanding their network of warehouse or fulfilment centres to speed up their delivery and stay ahead of the competition.

I, therefore, demand to make Ambala a warehousing hub.