

ment had been directed to look into these complaints. The investigation conducted by the management revealed that these complaints were without substance. The Kendriya Bhandar is known for selling quality goods at reasonable prices. It has three branch stores in the Gole Market area viz. at Peshwa Road, DIZ Area and at Kali Bari. No specific complaint about the quality of pulses or about the behaviour of the sales staff have been received regarding these stores. It may also be pointed out that there is no shortage of essential commodities at these stores. The supply position and working of the stores is constantly monitored and corrective action taken where necessary.

[*Translation*]

Food Processing Industries Ministries in States

2125. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have asked the States to constitute a separate Ministry of Food Processing Industries so that the export of agriculture produce and processed fruits could be made from all the States;

(b) if so, the reaction of State Governments thereto; and

(c) the names of the States which have not constituted separate Ministry of Food Processing Industries so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir. The Ministry of Food Processing Industries had, however, requested State Governments to form Nodal Agencies to coordinate all activities connected with the development of food processing sector in the States.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

[*English*]

Production of Newsprint by National Newsprint and Paper Mills, Nepalnagar

2126. SHRI RAJENDRA KUMAR SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Newsprint and Paper Mills, Nepalnagar has produced less newsprint in comparison to the last year;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken to increase the production to meet the demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Nepal Ltd. (formerly the National Newsprint and Paper Mills) produced 75,512 MT of newsprint during 1990-91 as against 51,575 MT in 1989-90.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Steps are on to further improve machine performance for better capacity utilisation.

[*Translation*]

Increase in storage capacity of essential commodities

2127. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to increase the storage capacity of Essential Commodities for the public;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the storage capacity of wheat, rice, edible oil and sugar in the country, State-wise;

(d) the number of godowns constructed State-wise; during the last three years;

(e) the names of the places where new godowns are being constructed; and

(f) the time by which their constructions are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The main central agencies engaged in the construction of storage capacity are Food Corporation of India (FCI) and Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC). The additional capacities proposed to be constructed by them during the period 1990-91 to 1994-95 are as follows:

FCI 4.23 lakh tonnes

CWC 15.00 lakh tonnes

Besides, the State Govts. and their agencies, State Warehousing Corporations, Co-operatives etc. are also constructing storage capacity.

(c) Storage capacity is generally not created exclusively for any particular commodity. State-wise total storage capacity available with FCI and CWC is given in the Statement I.

(d) The number of godowns constructed by FCI and CWC during the last three years are given in the Statement II.

(e) and (f) The places where new godowns are under construction by FCI and CWC and which are likely to be completed by March, 1992 are given in the Statement III.

STATEMENT-I

Total storage capacity available with FCI and CWC as on 1-4-1991.

Capacity (in lakh tonnes)

<i>S.No.</i>	<i>State/Union Territory</i>	<i>F.C.I.</i>	<i>C.W.C.</i>
1	2	3	4
1	Arunachal Pradesh	0.15	..
2	Andhra Pradesh	23.93	10.72
3	Assam	2.87	0.42
4	Bihar	6.41	1.70
5	Goa	0.28	0.19
6	Gujarat	9.05	3.09
7	Haryana	15.93	2.28
8	Himachal Pradesh	0.25	0.05
9	Jammu & Kashmir	0.95	..
10	Karnataka	3.99	1.78
11	Kerala	5.35	0.70
12	Madhya Pradesh	13.46	5.93
13	Maharashtra	14.99	8.24
14	Manipur	0.14	0.003
15	Meghalaya	0.21	..
16	Mizoram	0.12	0.02

1	2	3	4
17 Nagaland		0.16	0.13
18 Orissa		3.83	1.23
19 Punjab		54.22	6.06
20 Rajasthan		12.05	1.46
21 Sikkim		0.08	..
22 Tamil Nadu		6.91	6.20
23 Tripura		0.38	0.24
24 Uttar Pradesh		26.99	9.49
25 West Bengal		13.06	5.95
26 Chandigarh		0.54	0.18
27 Delhi		4.37	1.60
28 Pondicherry		0.41	0.11
Total		221.08*	67.77

*This includes 21.92 lakh tonnes hired from CWC.

STATEMENT II

Godowns constructed by Food Corporation of India and Central Warehousing Corporation during the last three years

Sl. No.	State/U.T.	No. of godowns constructed by Food Corporation of India during			No. of godowns constructed by Central Warehousing Corporation during		
		1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Andaman & Nicobar Island . . . . .	..	..	1	..	..	..
2	Andhra Pradesh	2	1	..	1	..	..
3	Assam . . . . .	..	..	..	1	2	..
4	Bihar	1	..	..	2	..	..
5	Gujarat . . . . .	..	..	..	1	..	..
6	Haryana . . . . .	..	..	..	1	1	..
7	Himachal Pradesh . . . . .	..	1	1	2	..	..
8	Jammu & Kashmir	3	1	2	..	..	..
9	Karnataka	1	..	..	1	1	..

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
10	Kerala . . . . .	..	..	2	..	..	..
11	Madhya Pradesh	1	..	..	6	2	..
12	Maharashtra	2	1	1	7	6	3
13	Mizoram	1	..	..	..	..	..
14	Nagaland	1	1	..	1	..	..
15	Punjab	2	1	..	2	1	2
16	Rajasthan	1	..	..	1	1	1
17	Sikkim	1	1	..	..	..	..
18	Tamil Nadu . . . . .	..	..	..	4	2	1
19	Tripura	1	..	1	1	1	..
20	Uttar Pradesh	5	2	1	4	..	3
21	West Bengal . . . . .	..	1	..	3	4	2
22	Delhi	1	..	..	1	2	1
	Total	23	10	9	39	23	13

STATEMENT III

Names of the places where new Godowns are being constructed by Food Corporation of India and Central Warehousing Corporation during 1991-92

<i>F.C.I.</i>		<i>C.W.C.</i>	
<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of Centre</i>	<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of Centre</i>
1	Passighat	1	Dhubri
2	Ghevra	2	Karnal
3	Karunagapalli	3	Gulberga
4	Bazpur	4	Gadag
5	Lawengtlai	5	Narsingpur
6	Mon	6	Sohagpur
7	Baran	7	Chilkaltbana
8	Barmer	8	Kolhapur
9	Chandera	9	Pune
10	Hanumangarh	10	Akola
11	Keshorampatnam	11	J N Port New Bombay
12	Srivijayanagar	12	Waluj
13	Kumarghat	13	Berhampore
14	Bulandshahar	14	Jeypore
15	Kosikalan	15	Sambalpur
16	Mathura	16	Moga
17	Partapur	17	Raninagar
18	Moradabad	18	Berhampur
19	Varanasi	19	Taragaon
20	Roza		
21	Dhankuni		