

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1932

ANSWERED ON:03.08.2001

EXPORT OF MAIZE

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

(a) whether the Union Government has withdrawn its proposal for allowing exports of maize;

(b) if so, the main reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government are planning to sell maize from FCI godowns to all interested parties, both private and public sector trading houses;

(d) if so, the total purchases made by these parties from FCI godowns;

(e) the total production of maize in the country;

(f) the extent to which FCI has procured maize from the farmers, State-wise;(g) whether the maize farmers have urged the Government to export maize; and (h) if so, the details thereof alongwith action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): FCI has been permitted to sell maize to the interested parties on `first come first serve` basis. After issue of stocks in such manner domestically, FCI may negotiate with the PSUs for export of the undisposed stocks.

(d): Upto 25.07.2001, a quantity of 4.59 lakh MTs has been sold to private parties.

(e): As per advance estimates of the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, the total production of maize in the country is 118.40 lakh MTs for the year 2000-2001.

(f): As at Annexure.

(g)&(h): As per the EXIM Policy, export of maize is freely allowed subject to quantitative ceilings as may be notified by the Department of Commerce (DGFT).

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1932 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 3-8-2001 THE LOK SABHA.

STATEWISE PROCUREMENT OF MAIZE BY THE FOOD CORPORATION OF INDIA (FCI) DURING THE CURRENT MARKETING SEASON.

(Figures in tonnes)

State	Quantity procured	Total
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FCI	State Agencies	
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Andhra Pradesh	20451	22468	42919
Karnataka	123309	259307	382616
Madhya Pradesh	0	19535	19535
Maharashtra	0	16107	16107
TOTAL	143760	317417	461177