# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION LOK SABHA

### UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7085 ANSWERED ON:11.05.2000 DISPOSAL OF OLD STOCK OF WHEAT NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA;SHANKERSINH VAGHELA;SHEESH RAM SINGH RAVI;SUKDEO PASWAN

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

(a) the quantum of wheat, rice and sugar lying in the FCI godowns as on March, 2000 with breakup as procured two years to five years back and procured more than five years back;

(b) the additional economic burden on this account;

(c) whether the said foodgrains are not fit for human consumption; and

(d) if so, the policy chalked out to dispose of the old stock of foodgrains?

# Answer

### MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

#### (SHRI SRIRAM CHAUHAN)

(a) Stock position of wheat, rice and sugar lying in the FCI godowns as on 31st , March, 2000, is given as under :

(Figures in lakh tones)

Two to five Over five years years back

Wheat	2.44	0.57
Rice	4.21	2.03
Sugar	Nil	Nil

(b) The estimated carrying cost of the surplus stocks over buffer stocking norms works out to Rs. 2100 crores for the year 1999-2000.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.