

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

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WHEAT MISSING FROM FCI GODOWNS

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

- (a) whether 50 lakh tonnes of wheat was found missing from the godowns of the Food Corporation of India (FCI) in Chandigarh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the value of the wheat found missing;
- (d) whether an inquiry has been ordered to look into the whole matter;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the inquiry report has since been received;
- (g) if so, the outcome thereof; and
- (h) the action taken against the officers responsible for the said loss?

**Answer**

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

(a),(b)&(c): No, Sir. However, the Managing Director, Food Corporation of India (FCI) had detected a discrepancy of about 50 lakh MTs in the stocks of wheat stored with the State Agencies in Punjab, as on 1st January, 2003, as reported by the Regional Office of FCI, Punjab.

(d),(e),(f),(g)&(h): As per the information made available by the FCI, a Committee of officers of the FCI has visited Punjab and their investigations have revealed that the discrepancies arose due to deficiencies in the stock reporting system. The Government has already issued directions to the FCI to streamline the stock reporting system.