GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:322 ANSWERED ON:20.11.2001 COLD STORAGE IN NORTH EASTERN REGION K. ASUNGBA SANGTAM

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Cold-storages operational in North Eastern Region, on date, State Wise;
- (b) the present capacity of these Cold-storages;
- (c) the number of new Cold-storages sanctioned and set up during the last two years in North Eastern States, State-wise; and
- (d) the reasons for not setting up the sanctioned Cold-storages so far?

Answer

MINISTER, DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (ARUN SHOURIE)

(a)&(b): The number of Cold-storages in North Eastern Region and their capacity, state-wise, is given below:

State No. of cold storages Capacity (Tonnes)

Assam 23 34,360

Nagaland 1 1,149

TriDura 3 5,000

- (include 3 cold storages with capacity of 15,000 MT sanctioned during last two years).
- (c): The number of cold stotages sanctioned during the last two years are as below:

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State No. of cold storages Capacity (Tonnes) Assam 4 18,000 Tripura 1 3,000
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Besides, Agriculture and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) has shifted small walk-in type cold storages from Bangalore Airport to Guwahati Airport, Assam, and also a similar walk-in cold storage has been shifted from Delhi Airport to Agartala Airport. The capacity of these cold storages is 13.18 Cu. Mtr. Each.

(d): One of the projects sanctioned by the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) in Assam under the scheme of National Horticulture Board is yet to be provided funds by the State Government.