

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3827

ANSWERED ON:22.08.2005

STORAGE CAPACITY IN PUNJAB

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

- (a) the number of godowns alongwith their storage capacity under the control of Food Corporation of India (FCI) and Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) in Punjab as on date;
- (b) whether the Government has received any complaint regarding hiring of private godowns by central procurement agencies while Government Godowns are lying vacant;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the action taken against those responsible for such losses?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

- (a): In Punjab, the Food Corporation of India (FCI) has 387 godowns with a total storage capacity of 75.68 lakh MTs (owned & hired) and the Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) has 30 godowns with a storage capacity of 7.71 lakh MTs, as on 1st July, 2005.
- (b): No, Sir.
- (c) & (d): Do not arise.