

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3574
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PROCUREMENT OF FOODGRAINS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of foodgrains procured by Food Corporation of India during the last three years and the current financial year from various States particularly Karnataka, State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the number of procurement centres opened during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to open additional procurement centres during the ensuing season in various States particularly Karnataka; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

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

- (a): The quantum of wheat, rice and coarsegrains procured by Food Corporation of India and State Government Agencies for the Central Pool during the last three years and current year, State-wise is given in Annexure I, II and III respectively.
- (b): The number of procurement centres opened during the last three years and the current year, State-wise is given in Annexure IV and V.
- (c) & (d): The number of procurement centres to be opened in each State (including in Karnataka) will be decided by FCI, in consultation with the respective State Governments before the commencement of the ensuing Kharif Marketing Season 2007-08 which is due to commence on 1st October, 2007.