

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

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FCI GODOWNS IN SOUTH INDIA
Kodikunnil Shri Suresh

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

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to construct new FCI Godown in Southern States, particularly in the Kuttanad region of Kerala; and

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of Godowns proposed to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a)&(b): At present there is no proposal to construct new FCI godown in any Southern States. However, under the five year guarantee Scheme for construction of godowns for FCI – Storage Requirement through Private entrepreneurs – 2008, the High Level committee has approved creation of storage capacity of 4.71 lakh tonnes for the Southern States as per the details given at Annexure.