

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1608
ANSWERED ON:09.08.2011
SHORTAGE OF STORAGE SPACE IN UP
Singh Shri Brij Bhushan Sharan

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

- (a) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh has intimated in writing to the Union Government that on account of inadequate storage capacity of the Food Corporation of India (FCI) in the State, about 2.25 lakh tonnes of wheat are lying with the procurement agencies, which is likely to get rotten;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the measures being taken by the Union Government for the safe storage of this wheat;
- (c) if not, whether the Government proposes to ascertain the facts in this regard; and
- (d) the total storage capacity of the FCI godowns in Uttar Pradesh?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a),(b) &(c): No written communication has been received from Government of Uttar Pradesh regarding about 2.25 lakh tonnes of wheat lying with the procurement agencies which is likely to get rotten due to inadequate storage capacity. Only 71445 MTs wheat is with the state agencies and is in safe condition.
- (d): The total covered storage capacity both owned and hired available with FCI is 40.06 lakh MTs and total Cover and Plinth (CAP) storage capacity both owned and hired available with FCI is 6.64 lakh MTs as on 15.07.2011.