

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:734  
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CREATION OF STORAGE CAPACITY  
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**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any meeting has been held to review the requirement and creation of additional storage capacity;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the action taken thereon, State-wise including Haryana; and
- (c) the additional amount allocated/proposed to be allocated for the purpose?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. A series of meetings of the High Level Committee (HLC) under the Private Entrepreneurs Guarantee (PEG) Scheme have been held to review the requirement and creation of additional storage capacity for different states. So far, the High Level Committee has approved a total capacity of 181.08 LMT under this scheme in 19 States. From time to time, the progress under the scheme has been reviewed by the Government also. So far, tenders have been finalized for creation of storage capacity of 97.19 lakh tonnes by the private entrepreneurs. CWC and SWCs are constructing 5.50 and 19.38 lakh tonnes respectively under the Scheme. Out of 181.08 lakh tonnes, a capacity of about 29.65 lakh tonnes has already been completed by CWC, SWCs/ State agencies and Private Investors. State-wise details as on 31.07.2012 including Haryana is at Annexure-I.

Besides PEG Scheme, additional storage capacity has been sanctioned for North Eastern States under Plan Scheme. Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) in its meeting held on 01.07.2011 approved a total capacity of 5.40 lakh MT in the North Eastern States to be created through FCI. The State-wise details are given at Annexure-II.

(c): For the creation of additional storage capacity under Plan Scheme for construction of storage godowns an allocation of Rs. 568.17 crores in XIth and XIIth Five Year Plans have been made for the North Eastern States by the Government. No fund, however, has been allocated /proposed to be allocated under the PEG Scheme for creation of additional storage capacity.