

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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FOODGRAIN GODOWNS  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate an action plan for setting up of foodgrain godowns with the storage capacity of 25, 50 and 100 tonnes in the fields itself with a view to providing proper storage facility to the farmers under the National Agriculture Development Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the total loss of foodgrains in absence of proper storage facilities during the last three years and the current year?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR)

(a) & (b): Under the National Agriculture Development Programme/Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) states have the flexibility of choosing programmes/projects which, in their view, are appropriate for increasing production and productivity and increased availability of commodities in agriculture and allied sectors. The projects include schemes of augmenting Storage Capacity and other measures for post harvest management.

(c): As per a recent study undertaken by Central Institute of Post Harvest Engineering & Technology (CIPHET), Ludhiana (an ICAR Institution), losses in storage in different Agricultural Commodities are estimated as under:

S.No. Crop Losses in Storage (as percentage of  
total production)

1. Cereals 1.0 to 1.28%
2. Pulses 0.86 to 1.96%
3. Oil Seeds 0.41 to 0.96%