

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

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PROCUREMENT OF POOR QUALITY FOODGRAINS  
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**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Food Corporation of India (FCI) has procured poor quality foodgrains during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, zone-wise;
- (c) the action taken against the officials held responsible for procurement of poor quality/damaged foodgrains along with the details of the said officers; and
- (d) the funds spent on procurement and safe storage of foodgrains during the said period, zone-wise?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Foodgrains under central pool are procured by Food Corporation of India (FCI) as per prescribed uniform quality specifications. However, some quantities of procured foodgrains have been detected beyond prescribed specifications in various super checks and inspections during the last three years and, current year. Region-wise details of such poor quality foodgrains are at Annexure-I.

(c): Action taken against the officials held responsible for procurement of poor quality foodgrains during the last three years is at Annexure-II.

(d) As per the information received from FCI, the funds spent on procurement and safe storage of foodgrains by FCI during the last three years are as under:

Year	Fund spent on procurement of foodgrains (Rs.in Crores)	Storage Cost (Rs.in Crores)
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2009-10	59877.39	1663.21
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2010-11	69996.32	2180.22
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2011-12	83526.09	2364.40
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