

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1235

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FOODGRAINS FOR CALAMITY PRONE STATES

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to maintain additional stock of foodgrains on priority basis in the drought and flood prone States of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has issued instructions to the Food Corporation of India to keep a minimum stock for several months in the said States and has also urged the States to lift foodgrains sufficient to meet the Public Distribution System requirement for six months;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

(a) No Madam.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) to (e) No such instructions have been issued to FCI. However, Government of India has permitted the States/UTs for lifting and distribution of upto six months ration under Targeted Public Distribution System in one go, subject to certain conditions.