

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6438  
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SETTING UP OF COLD STORAGES  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up cold storages in Jalore area of Rajasthan as there is scarcity of resources for the farmers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to develop the area as `potato hub` in view of the favourable climate for potato cultivation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing schemes of National Horticulture Mission (NHM) and National Horticulture Board for development of horticulture which includes assistance for setting up/expansion/modernization of cold storages in the country including Jalore area of Rajasthan.

The component of establishment of cold storage is project based and entrepreneur driven for which credit linked back ended subsidy @ 40% of the project cost in general areas and 55% in case of hilly and schedule areas is available. Public Sector Units and State Government agencies, cooperatives, growers' associations, farmers, group, selfhelp groups and women farmers' groups are also entitled to avail assistance for such activities to the same extent.

(c) & (d): No such proposal is under consideration of the Government.