

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4070  
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UTILISATION OF GODOWNS  
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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) is not making optimum utilisation of its godowns; and
- (b) if so, the total number of godowns of FCI in the country alongwith their capacities and capacity-utilisation thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a): No, Madam. The FCI is making maximum possible utilization of its godowns. The utilization of godowns of FCI as on 1.11.09 is 80% whereas the optimum utilization as per the Bureau of Industrial Cost and Prices (BICP) norms is 75%.

(b): Information on the total number of godowns available with FCI in the country alongwith their capacities and capacity-utilisation State-wise during the last three years (as on 31st March, 2007, 2008 and 2009) is at Annexure-I, II and III respectively. Information as on 15.11.2009 is at Annexure- IV.