

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:323  
ANSWERED ON:25.11.2014  
PROCUREMENT OF FOODGRAINS  
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**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of foodgrains procured annually in Bihar by the Union and State Government agencies including Food Corporation of India during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC)/Bihar State Warehousing Corporation are facing shortage of adequate storage capacity for storing foodgrains;
- (c) if so, whether the Central Warehousing Corporation has not built any godowns in the rural areas of the State;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the number of additional godowns proposed to be built during the next two years;
- (e) whether there has been a delay in payment of procurement price to the farmers in the State; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the remedial steps taken in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAOSAHEB PATIL DANVE)

(a): As in annexure 'A'.

(b): the Central Warehousing Corporation(CWC) and State Warehousing Corporation (SWC) have storage capacity of 1.2 LMT and 2,84 LMT respectively in the state of Bihar as on 01.11.2014. The capacity utilisation of these godowns is not 100%, and therefore, storage space for stocking foodgrains is presently available.

(c) & (d): CWC has built godowns in the rural areas also in the State of Bihar. It has constructed 1200 MT capacity at Mohania during 2013-14. Works are in progress at Nokha for 1800 MT, and Supual for 1280 MT Capacity. Besides, above, work is also in progress at Bettiah for 20000 MT, Munger for 10000 MT and Khagaria for 10000 MT under PEG scheme. CWC has proposed to construct godowns in following locations under PEG scheme subject to availability of land -

Madhepur	-	10000 MT
Chakia Bazar	-	10000 MT
Supual	-	15000 MT
Hajipur	-	10000 MT

(e) & (f):No Madam