

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

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

- (a) whether the godown of Food Corporation of India situated in Chakradharpur in Jharkhand has been closed down;
- (b) if so, the reasons for closure of the said godown; and
- (c) the efforts made to reopen the said godown so as to address the shortcomings in food supply in the tribal areas?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No Madam, no godown owned by FCI has been closed down in Chakradharpur. However, one private godown with capacity of 1000 MT which was hired by FCI in Chakradharpur has been de-hired with effect from 01.09.2007 in view of un-scientific nature of the godown.

(c): Chakradharpur falls under West Singhbhum District of Jharkhand. Requirement of foodgrains for West Singhbhum district is being met from FCI, FSD Jamshedpur which has a capacity of 10640 MT without any operational difficulties for the last 7 years. One newly constructed PEG Godown having capacity of 5000 MT at Saraikela has also been taken over by FCI. In the present circumstances there is no need of hiring any additional capacity.