

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

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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 in Chhattisgarh by the Food Corporation of India and other Union and State agencies during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC)/Chhattisgarh 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; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the number of additional godowns proposed to be built during the next couple of years?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAMVILAS PASWAN)

(a): The details of foodgrains procured in Chhattisgarh for Central Pool by Food Corporation of India (FCI) and other Government Agencies during last three years and current year are as under :

(Fig. in Lakh MT)
Rice# Coarse grain
KMS Quantity Quantity
Procured Procured

2011-12	41.15	0.0045
2012-13	48.04	0
2013-14	42.90	0.03
2014-15##	33.54	0

KMS 2014-15 are under progress. Figures reported as on 22.04.2015.

Rice includes paddy in terms of rice.

(b): No, Madam.

(c): Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) has not built any godown in the rural areas of Chhattisgarh State.

(d) : A three tier warehousing system had been envisaged in the country under which the Central Warehousing Corporation is required to develop warehousing infrastructure for scientific storage of agricultural produce and other commodities at centres of national importance, whereas the State Warehousing Corporation had been assigned with the responsibility for development of similar warehousing infrastructure at centres of State level importance. The warehousing infrastructure for similar purposes in rural areas is primarily being developed by the Cooperative Sector, for which financial assistance is also granted by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) & National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC).

In so far as CWC is concerned, it has initiated steps to construct a capacity of 10000 MT godown at Village, Soram, Dhamtari (Chattisgarh) during the year 2015-16.