

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6252  
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FOODGRAIN HANDLING  
Gopalakrishnan Shri R.

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any review of the existing system of procurement, marketing, storage preservation and distribution of foodgrains;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the corrective steps taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a): Yes Madam, the Government has constituted a High Level Committee (HLC) under the Chairmanship of Shri Shanta Kumar, on restructuring of FCI, which has submitted its report on 21.1.2015. The Committee has conducted a review of the existing system of procurement, marketing, storage, preservation and distribution of foodgrains.
- (b): The major recommendations of the HLC are at Annexure. Government is examining the recommendations made by the Committee and a decision to implement the acceptable recommendations of the Committee will be taken shortly.
- (c): Does not arise in view of (b) above.