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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6325 ANSWERED ON:05.05.2015 EXPORT OF WHEAT Chudasama Shri Rajeshbhai Naranbhai

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

- (a) the details of wheat exported during the last three years;
- (b) whether adequate stock of wheat is available to meet the domestic demand and export requirement; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

## **Answer**

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

- (a): In phase-I during Calendar Year 2012 and 2013, Government allowed export of 45 lakh Metric Tons of wheat from Central Pool Stock of Food Corporation of India through Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) namely, State Trading Corporation of India Limited (STC), Metals and Minerals Trading Corporation of India Limited (MMTC) and Projects & Equipment Corporation of India Limited (PEC) and out of which a quantity of 42.40 lakh Metric tons was actually exported. In Phase-II during Calendar Year 2013 and 2014, export of a quantity of 20 lakh Metric Tons of wheat was allowed, out of which 15.57 lakh Metric Tons was actually exported.
- (b) & (c): The stock of foodgrains in Central Pool as on 01.04.2015 was 410.40 lakh Metric Tons comprising of 172.20 lakh Metric Tons of Wheat and 238.20 lakh Metric Tons of Rice (including paddy in terms of Rice). Further, the procurement of Wheat for Rabi Marketing Season (RMS) 2015-16 has commenced and procurement of Rice for Kharif Marketing Season (KMS) 2014-15 is continuing. Therefore, adequate stock would be available to meet the estimated requirement of 534.10 Metric Tons under National Food Security Act for Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and Other Welfare Scheme (OWS). At present, there is no proposal under consideration of Government to export wheat during current year.