

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:395
ANSWERED ON:21.04.2015
HIRING OF GODOWNS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of godowns hired/leased on rent by the Government agencies for storage of foodgrains in the country, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) whether the Government has also acquired land for construction of godowns in the States including Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the details thereof indicating the quantum of land acquired and the number of godowns constructed thereon during the last three years, State-wise; and
- (d) the action proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the capacity of godowns in Uttar Pradesh?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE STARRED QUESTION NO.395 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 21st APRIL, 2015 IN THE LOK SABHA

(a) : As on 31.03.2015, godowns of total capacity 329.18 Lakh MT have been hired by Food Corporation of India (FCI). The State-wise capacities owned and hired by FCI including in Uttar Pradesh are at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): FCI has acquired land mainly in North Eastern States for construction of godowns. No land has been acquired in the State of Uttar Pradesh. State-wise details of land acquired and godowns constructed during the last three years i.e. 2012-13 to 2014-15 are at Annexure-II.

(d): In the State of Uttar Pradesh, the required storage capacity is 38.31 lakh MT and FCI already has godowns of 39.08 lakh MT capacity and additional 5.19 lakh MT capacity in the form of Cover & Plinth (CAP) i.e. available capacity is more than the required capacity. A capacity 12.13 lakh MT has been created in PPP mode in the state recently, under Private Entrepreneurs Guarantee (PEG) Scheme.