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Title: Need for procurement of rice stocks by FCI from the farmers of Nalgonda district, Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI GUTHA SUKHENDER REDDY (NALGONDA): New agriculture season (Kharif) has commenced. Farmers have started agriculture operations. Yet their produces like paddy has remained unsold till date. Traders are not ready to purchase the paddy, because of non-availability of space in buffer storage godowns of Food Corporation of India. 3.5 lakhs of tonnes of Rice is lying in the godowns. Railway rakes are necessary for transportation of said stock. The Ministry of Food and Consumer Affairs should place the indents with the railways. I request Department of Food and Ministry of Railways to take immediate steps to lift the Food Corporation of India stocks from Nalgonda district of Andhra Pradesh.

* Treated as laid on the Table