GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4148

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 29TH MARCH, 2022

COLD STORAGE IN WEST BENGAL

4148 SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cold storage facilities in West Bengal, district-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has shut down any cold storage in the State;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government intends to set up new cold storage in Bishnupur Constituency of Bankura district; and
- (e) if so, the time by which the Government intends to do the same?

ANSWER

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a): As per report received from the State Government of West Bengal, total number of cold storages in the State is 580. District-wise number of cold storage facilities is at **Annexure**.
- (b) & (c): As per report received from the State Government of West Bengal, Government has not shut down any cold storage in the State.
- (d): Central Government does not setup cold storage of its own. However, Government is implementing various schemes under which financial assistance is available for setting up of cold storage in the country including West Bengal. These schemes are demand/entrepreneur driven for which financial assistance is available in the form of credit linked back ended subsidy.

Government of West Bengal reported that it does not intend to set up new cold storage in Bishnupur Constituency of Bankura district.

(e): Question does not arise.

Annexure

District wise Number of Cold Storages in West Bengal

S. No.	Name of the District	Total No of Cold Storage
1.	Hooghly	159
2.	Purba Burdwan	117
3.	Paschim Burdwan	5
4.	Paschim Medinipur	91
5.	Purba Medinipur	2
6.	Jhargram	2
7.	Bankura	51
8.	Birbhum	19
9.	Jalpaiguri	23
10.	Alipurduar	11
11.	Coochbehar	15
12.	Murshildabad	16
13.	Howrah	15
14.	Uttardinajpur	8
15.	Dakshindinajpur	3
16.	Malda	10
17.	Nadia	8
18.	North24 Parganas	15
19.	South 24 Parganas	2
20.	Kolkata	3
21.	Darjeeling	3
22.	Purulia	2
	Total	580
