

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1343
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9th February, 2021

WASTAGE OF FOODGRAINS

†1343. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the fact that a large amount foodgrains get wasted due to lack of sufficient storage facility of foodgrains in the country every year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details in terms of their excess foodgrains storage capacity in Bhagalpur district and the State of Bihar?

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MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD &
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO)

(a) & (b): No damage of Central Pool Foodgrains (wheat & rice) stored in godowns can be directly attributed to lack of storage facility.

As on 31.12.2020, storage capacity available with Food Corporation of India (FCI) and State agencies for storage of central pool foodgrain stock is 819.19 Lakh MT (Covered- 669.10 LMT and CAP -150.09 LMT) against the stock holding of 529.59 Lakh MT.

(c): As on 31.12.2020, storage capacity available with FCI and State agencies for storage of central pool foodgrain stock is 15.23 Lakh MT (Covered- 14.23 LMT and CAP- 1.00 LMT) in the State of Bihar, including a capacity of 0.40 LMT for monthly allocations of 0.14 LMT under National Food Security Act (NFSA)/Other Welfare Schemes (OWS) in Bhagalpur revenue district.
