

**Cold Storages**

† 2018. PROF. R. B. S. VARMA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) the number and details of cold storages for storage and marketing of fruits and vegetables, functioning in the countn. State-wise.

(b) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of cold storages in the countn'. in proportion to their requirement.

(c) if so, whether Government arc contemplating lo open more cold storages in the countn. and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (PROF' CHAMAN LAL GUPTA): (a) to (d) As per details made available by the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, the total number of cold storages in the countn as on 31 -03-2001 arc 4199. The Slate-wise details arc given in ihc Statement (*See* below)

The High Level Expert Committee constituted by the Government of India to identify constraints and suggest remedial measures in the Sector has projected creation of cold storage capacity of 12 lakh lonnces, rehilitation/moderni/ation of 8 lakh tonnes, and an additional 4.5 lakh lonnces for onion storage capacity in the countn during ihc Ninth Five Year Plan. In order lo give thursl to ihc cold storage sector, the Department of Agriciilurc and Cooperation have introduced a scheme entitled. "Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme for Construction/Expansion/Modernization of Cold Storages and Storages for Horticulture Produce". Under the scheme, financial assistance in provided in Ihc form of back-ended capital investment subsidy by the National Horticulture Board (NHB). and autonomous body under the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation through National Bank for Agricultural and Rural Development (NABARD) and National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) '(A 25% of the project cost not exceeding Rs. 50.00 lakhs per project in general areas and (til 33.33%of the project cost up to a ceiling of Rs. 60 lakhs per project for North Eastern Slates. The scheme is demand based and the project proposal is to conic from eligible organizations. Government do not construct cold storages on their own.

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† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

**Statement**

*STATE/UNION TERRITORY-IASE /WEAK- UP OF COLD STOR I GASIN  
THE ('OUNTRYAS OX 31-03-2001.*

Name of state/Union Territories	No. of Cold Storages
Andaman and Nicobar Islands (UT)	02
Andhra Pradesh	202
Arunachal Pradesh	00
Assam	19
Bihar	200
Chandigarh (UT)	05
Delhi	96
Gujarat	314
Goa	23
Haryana	201
Himachal Pradesh	16
Jammu and Kashmir	18
Kerala	156
Karnataka	110
Lakshadwccp (UT)	01
Maliarashtra	368
Madhya Pradesh	174
Manipur	00
Meghalaya	00
Mizoram	00
Nagaland	01
Orissa	71
Pondicherry(UT)	05
Punjab	440
Rajasthan	85
Sikkim	00
Tamil Nadu	94
Tripura	03
Uttar Pradesh	1233
West Bengal	361
TOTAL :	4199