

price signals also act as robust indicators for the farming community and can be used as valuable inputs in their decision making process.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply (a) above.

(c) No, Sir. According to available information there is no clear evidence that rise in food prices in India has been due to futures trading.

(d) to (f) There is no proposal to ban the broadcasting of futures prices on news channels. Broadcasting of futures prices which have already been discovered on the Exchange platform promotes awareness and helps the various stake holders to take appropriate decisions based on the above information.

Forward trading in food items

3302. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA : Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) whether forward trading in food items is a major reason for rising inflation;

(b) whether a working group headed by Shri Narendra Modi has recommended banning forward trading in essential food items to check price rise; and

(c) if not, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS) : (a) No, Sir. According to available information, there is no clear evidence that rise in price has been due to forward trading. Rise in the prices of food items are caused by several factors such as shortfall in domestic supplies relative to demand, hardening of international prices, changes in consumption pattern, adverse weather conditions, and improvement in income and living standards as well as changes in dietary habits. Futures trading is a mechanism that performs the twin functions of price discovery and price risk management of the commodities traded in the futures market.

(b) Yes, Sir. A working group headed by Shri Narendra Modi has recommended ban on trading of essential commodities in the futures market.

(c) Does not arise.

Production and storage of wheat

†3303. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL : Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) the average wheat production in metric tonne per year and the storage capacity of wheat in metric tonne in the north India;

(b) whether it is a fact that lacs of metric tonnes of wheat becomes rotten due

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

to lack of storage facility and keeping it in view, F.C.I. had made a plan to bring private sector in the field of storage; and

(c) if so, the extent of interest shown by the private sector people under that plan and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K. V. THOMAS) : (a) The production and procurement of wheat during the last five years State-wise in the country is given in Statement (*See below*). The Storage capacity available with FCI State-wise both owned and hired, covered and Cover and Plinth (CAP) is given in Statement (*See below*). The storage capacities available with the State agencies for storage of Central Stock of Foodgrains is given in Statement (*See below*).

(b) and (c) It is not true that huge quantities of foodgrains get rotten due to lack of storage facility. Some quantities of foodgrains however, get damaged due to floods, rain, pests and other natural calamities. However, due to the increased procurement of foodgrains and to reduce the storage under Cover and Plinth (CAP), the Government formulated a Scheme for construction of storage godowns through private entrepreneurs, Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) and State Warehousing Corporations (SWCs). Assessment of additional storage needs under the scheme is based on the overall procurement/consumption and the storage space already available.

Based on the criteria laid down in the scheme, State wise capacity requirement and locations were identified.

A capacity of 151.96 lakh tonnes is to be created under the scheme through private entrepreneurs and Central and State Warehousing Corporations in 19 States. Out of this, for a capacity of about 107 lakh tonne tenders have been finalised on the Private Investors including the capacities being constructed by CWC/SWCs on their own lands. The scheme has received good response from the private investors. The Government has also approved creation of a capacity of 20 lakh tonnes in silos within the overall storage requirements of Food Corporation of India (FCI) under the Public Private Partnership mode.

Statement I

Statewise Production and Procurement of Wheat during last five years

(in lakh tonnes)

State	Production (Crop Year)						Procurement (RMS)#					
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11*	2011-12*	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13**	2012-13\$
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Bihar	44.50	43.96	46.23	40.98	48.48	0.08	5.00	4.96	1.83	5.56	-	15.0

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Gujarat	38.38	28.97	26.48	40.20	40.77	-	4.15	0.75	3.67	1.05	0.55	1.5
Haryana	102.36	105.93	105	116.30	120.27	33.46	52.31	69.24	63.35	69.28	37.99	70.00
Madhya Pradesh	60.33	65.22	78.46	76.27	84.67	0.57	24.10	19.68	35.38	49.65	33.27	65.0
Maha-rashtra	20.78	14.71	17.57	23.01	12.84	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Punjab	157.20	157.53	152.63	164.72	165.20	67.57	99.39	107.25	102.05	109.58	26.22	108.0
Rajasthan	71.25	69.99	68.27	72.15	91.36	3.84	9.35	11.52	4.76	13.03	2.09	14.0
Uttar Pradesh	256.79	285.64	278.1	300.01	302.93	5.49	31.37	38.82	16.73	34.61	2.12	42.0
Uttarakhand	8.14	8.56	8.37	8.78	8.64	0.02	0.84	1.45	0.86	0.43	0.18	1.0
West Bengal	9.17	7.98	8.37	8.74	9.08	-	-	-	0.09	-	-	0.20
Others	16.80	17.34	17.62	17.58	18.08	0.25	0.25	0.14	0.11	0.17	0.10	1.3
ALL INDIA												
TOTAL	785.70	806.8	808.0	868.74	902.32	111.28	226.82	253.81	225.14	283.85	102.54	318.00

RMS for wheat is succeeding year e.g. Crop Year 2010-11 corresponds to RMS 2011-12

* As per 3rd Advance Estimates (23.04.2012)

** As on 23.04.2012

\$ Estimated procurement as given by State Food Secretaries.

Statement II

The State-wise Storage Capacity with F.C.I. as on 31.03.2012

(Fig. in Lac Tonnes)

Zone	Sl.	Region	Covered				CAP				Grand	Stock	Utili-	Total	Utili-		
	No.	/U.T.	FCI	Hired			Total	Owned	Hired	Total	Total	Held	tion	effec-	zation		
			Owned	State	CWC	SWC	Pvt.	Total	Covered				(%age)	tive	(%age)		
				Govt.				Parties	Hired						storage on		
															capa- effec-		
															city tive		
															as per capa-		
															region city		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
East	1	Bihar	3.66	0.03	0.84	1.11	0.51	2.49	6.15	1.00	0.00	1.00	7.15	3.55	50.00	6.79	52
	2	Jharkhand	0.67	0.03	0.27	0.21	0.15	0.66	1.33	0.05	0.00	0.05	1.38	1.21	88.00	1.38	88

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	3.	Orissa	3.02	0.00	0.82	1.97	0.15	2.94	5.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.96	3.68	62.00	5.94	62
	4.	W.Bengal	8.59	0.19	0.95	0.00	0.87	2.01	10.60	0.51	0.00	0.51	11.11	6.55	59.00	10.51	63
	5.	Sikkim	0.10	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.06	55.00	10.51	63
N.E.	6.	Assam	2.12	0.00	0.20	0.16	0.36	0.72	2.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.84	2.11	74.00	2.78	76
	7.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.18	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.22	0.05	23.00	0.22	23
	8.	Meghalaya	0.14	0.00	0.07	0.05	0.00	0.12	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.26	0.15	58.00	0.26	58
	9.	Mizoram	0.25	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.26	0.17	65.00	0.26	65
	10.	Tripura	0.29	0.05	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.19	0.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.48	0.31	65.00	0.48	65
	11.	Manipur	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.14	70.00	0.20	70
	12.	Nagaland	0.20	0.00	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.16	48.00	0.33	48
TOTAL (N.E.Z.)			3.38	0.10	0.54	0.21	0.36	1.21	4.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.59	3.09	67.00	4.53	68
North	13	Delhi	3.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.36	0.31	0.00	0.31	3.67	1.81	49.00	2.95	61
	14.	Haryana	7.68	4.20	3.22	6.17	2.34	15.93	23.61	3.33	0.16	3.49	27.10	22.92	85.00	27.10	85
	15.	Himachal Pradesh	0.14	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.12	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.26	0.14	54.00	0.26	54
	16.	J&K	1.03	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.18	1.21	0.10	0.00	0.10	1.31	0.82	63.00	0.94	87
	17.	Punjab	21.17	0.28	4.99	40.14	4.03	49.44	70.61	7.14	2.59	9.73	80.34	67.60	84.00	83.96	84
	18.	Chandigarh	1.07	0.18	0.84	1.14	0.00	2.16	3.23	0.17	0.23	0.40	3.63	3.07	85.00	83.96	84
	19.	Rajasthan	7.06	0.00	2.25	4.53	1.88	8.66	15.72	1.85	4.27	6.12	21.84	19.36	89.00	21.55	90
	20.	Uttar Pradesh	14.95	0.15	6.17	20.74	0.12	27.18	42.13	5.19	0.21	5.40	47.53	36.73	77.00	45.39	81
	21.	Uttarakhand	0.66	0.20	0.41	0.48	0.00	1.09	1.75	0.21	0.05	0.26	2.01	1.73	86.00	1.92	90
TOTAL (N.Z.)			57.12	5.22	17.94	73.20	8.40	104.76	161.88	18.30	7.51	25.81	187.69	154.18	82.00	184.07	84
South	22	Andhra Pradesh	12.66	0.10	8.16	22.38	3.54	34.18	46.84	2.62	0.00	2.62	49.46	49.47	100.00	48.93	101
	23.	Andaman Nikobar	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.05	71.00	48.93	101

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	24.	Kerala	5.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.17	0.20	0.00	0.20	5.37	3.76	70.00	5.33	71
	25.	Karnataka	3.81	0.00	1.50	1.59	0.25	3.34	7.15	1.36	0.00	1.36	8.51	7.48	88.00	8.32	90
	26.	Tamil Nadu	5.80	0.00	2.56	0.52	0.50	3.58	9.38	0.61	0.00	0.61	9.99	8.35	84.00	10.15	87
	27.	Pondicherry	0.44	0.00	0.13	0.11	0.00	0.24	0.68	0.06	0.00	0.06	0.74	0.51	69.00	10.15	87
TOTAL (S.Z.)			27.95	0.10	12.35	24.60	4.29	41.34	69.29	4.85	0.00	4.85	74.14	69.62	94.00	72.73	96
West	28.	Gujarat	5.00	0.14	1.49	0.00	0.28	1.91	6.91	0.27	0.00	0.27	7.18	5.35	75.00	7.11	75
	29.	Maharashtra	11.90	0.00	2.62	3.46	2.08	8.16	20.06	1.05	0.00	1.02	21.08	15.87	75.00	17.53	91
	30.	Goa	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.09	60.00	17.53	91
	31.	Madhya Pradesh	3.37	0.00	0.96	0.01	0.90	1.87	5.24	0.36	0.00	0.36	5.60	3.34	60.00	5.37	62
	32.	Chhattisgarh	5.12	0.03	1.10	3.22	0.42	4.77	9.89	0.01	0.00	0.01	9.90	9.44	95.00	9.90	95
TOTAL (W.Z.)			25.54	0.17	6.17	6.69	3.68	16.71	42.25	1.66	0.00	1.66	43.91	34.09	78.00	39.91	85
GRAND TOTAL			130.03	5.85	39.88	107.99	18.41	172.13	302.16	26.37	7.51	33.88	336.04	276.03	82.00	325.86	85

Effective Capacity : Capacity available with FCI for storage of foodgrains, as reported by the Regions.

Statement III

*Total Storage Capacity with State Agencies including SWCs
(excluding capacities given to FCI) for storage of foodgrains as on 31.03.2011*

(Figures in LMT)

Zone	Sl.No.	FCI Region	Total Storage Capacity with State Agencies including SWCs (excluding capacities given to FCI) for storage of foodgrains Stage Agencies	
			Covered	CAP
1	2	3	4	5
East	1.	Bihar	6.96	0.00
	2.	Jharkhand	0.08	0.00
	3.	Orissa	3.64	0.00
	4.	West Bengal	3.90	0.00

1	2	3	4	5
N.E.	5.	Assam	0.41	0.00
	6.	Arunchal Pradesh	0.05	0.00
	7.	Meghalaya	0.00	0.00
	8.	Mizoram	0.56	0.00
	9.	Tripura	0.40	0.00
	10.	Manipur	0.20	0.00
	11.	Nagaland	0.07	0.00
North	12.	Delhi	0.00	0.00
	13.	Haryana	23.03	45.08
	14.	Himachal Pradesh	0.00	0.00
	15.	J & K	1.26	0.00
	16.	Punjab	23.88	92.70
	17.	Rajasthan	0.00	0.00
	18.	Uttar Pradesh	4.11	0.00
	19.	Uttarakhand	0.91	0.00
South	20.	Andhra Pradesh	11.55	0.00
	21.	Kerala	0.00	0.00
	22.	Karnataka	2.17	0.00
	23.	Tamil Nadu	6.50	0.00
West	24.	Gujarat	3.92	0.00
	25.	Maharashtra	18.35	0.00
	26.	Madhya Pradesh	31.35	0.00
	27.	Chhattisgarh	10.24	0.00
TOTAL			153.54	137.78

Consumer awareness projects

3304. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY : Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) the details of consumer awareness projects sanctioned by and pending with Government during the last three years, across the country, State-wise;