

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. Government is releasing wheat through tender sale by FCI to bulk consumers/private traders under Open Market Sale Scheme (OMSS). In addition, wheat is also sold to private traders from FCI godowns without tender at reserve price and to retail consumers through State Government under OMSS Scheme. Details of wheat sold under OMSS is given in Statement (*See below*).

(c) No Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

***Statement***

*Details of wheat sold under Open Market Sale Scheme (OMSS)  
during the last four years are as under:*

Year	Qty. (Lakh MT)
2009-10	16.28
2010-11	11.55
2011-12	11.84
2012-13 (as on 31.1.2013)	50.43

**Rotting of foodgrains**

2207. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lakhs of tonnes of wheat and rice procured by Government between 2009 and 2011 is rotting in the open, in various parts of the country, especially in Haryana;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;

(c) whether poor storage has resulted in downgrading of quality of rice which affects exports; and

(d) the action taken by Government to lift the foodgrains at the earliest and also to fix responsibility for losses to exchequer on this account?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) and (b) Following quantities of wheat accrued as damaged/non-issuable in Cover and Plinth (CAP) storage in open complex in Food Corporation of India(FCI) during 2009-10 to 2011-12 and current year 2012-13 (upto January, 2013):

(Figure in tons)

Regions	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13 (upto Jan'13)
1. Andhra Pradesh	0	0	0	8.94
2. Karnataka	0	0	0	15.45
3. Gujarat	671	137	196	195.00
4. Maharashtra .	45	21	1346	0
5. Uttar Pradesh	0	0	15	0
TOTAL	716	158	1557	219.39

Further, accrual of non-issuable foodgrain stocks with State agencies of Punjab and Haryana States during 2009-10 to 2012-13 (upto Jan'13) is as follows:

(Figure in tons)

State agencies	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13 (upto Jan'13)
Punjab	8356	41690	66306	20112
Haryana	823	30069	10456	25243
TOTAL	9179	71759	76762	45355

The stocks reported as damaged/non-issuable by agencies above include open storage also.

Foodgrains may get damaged during storage due to various reasons such as storage pest attack, leakages in godowns, procurement of poor quality stocks, spillage during movement and handling of stocks, exposure to moisture in case of unscientific storage, floods, negligence on the part of concerned persons in taking precautionary measures etc.

(c) No Sir.

(d) The Government has been urging States/Union Territories (UTs) to lift their entire allocated quota of foodgrains through quarterly advisories, individual letters, various conferences and periodical meetings with them. The lifting of foodgrains against the additional allocations has shown a rising trend and it has improved from 26% against the additional allocations made during January-February, 2010 to 85% against the additional BPL allocations made during 2011-12.

Details of the officials of FCI proceeded against for rotting/damage of foodgrains during last three years and current year are as under:

Year	No. of officials
2009-10	28
2010-11	20
2011-12	59
2012-13	15
TOTAL	122

**Requirement of foodgrain storages**

2208. SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of foodgrains produced during the last five years;
- (b) the details of requirement of storage capacity for the same;
- (c) the details of present storage facilities and the shortfall, if any;
- (d) whether large quantum of foodgrains are rotting due to shortage of storage facilities throughout the country;
- (e) the steps taken by Government to improve the storage capacity of foodgrains;
- (f) by when the country would have no capacity shortage; and
- (g) the details of foodgrains damaged because of lack of storage facilities during the last five years?