

Storage of foodgrains

75. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Government agencies engaged in warehousing and storage activities of foodgrains;

(b) the number of multinational private agencies engaged in the above activities along with the details thereof; and

(c) the number of warehouses and storage facility centers started during the years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 in Government sector, State-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI C.R. CHAUDHARY): (a) Following are the Government agencies engaged in warehousing and storage activities of foodgrains:-

1. Food Corporation of India (FCI)
2. Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC)
3. State Warehousing Corporations of various States

(b) No multinational private agencies have been engaged in the above activities. Only Indian private agencies have been engaged so far.

(c) Number of warehouses and storage facility centers in Government sector started during 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 are as under:-

2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
287	295	68

State-wise details are given in the Statement.

Statement

State-wise details of Warehouses and Storage Facility Centers started during 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 in Government Sector

Zone	Region	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
North	Delhi	0	0	0
	Punjab	19	10	5
	Haryana	56	15	2
	Himachal Pradesh	2	0	1
	Jammu and Kashmir	5	2	2

Zone	Region	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
East	Uttar Pradesh	12	10	0
	Uttarakhand	0	0	0
	Rajasthan	1	0	2
	West Bengal	4	1	3
	Bihar	0	2	6
	Odisha	7	7	3
	Jharkhand	6	2	2
South	Andhra Pradesh	0	0	0
	Kerala	0	0	0
	Karnataka	0	0	0
	Tamil Nadu	1	0	1
West	Maharashtra	4	4	7
	Gujarat	3	1	1
	Madhya Pradesh	158	233	31
	Chhattisgarh	0	1	0
NE (Plan Scheme)	Assam	5	3	0
	Meghalaya	1	0	0
	Tripura	0	1	0
	Nagaland	1	1	0
	Manipur	0	0	0
	Arunachal Pradesh	2	2	2
	TOTAL	287	295	68

Installation of PoS devices at ration shops

76. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that website *www.annavitran.nic.* in monitoring the sale with the help of PoS devices on ration shops, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of rations shops along with the number of shops having PoS devices, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether Government has conducted any survey regarding the time consumed in transaction before and after installation of PoS devices, if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;