

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
15.	Madhya Pradesh	58	58	6	6	2	66	66
16.	Goa	58	58	0	0	0	58	58
17.	West Bengal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		7173	15354	44	497	1642	7579	17493

Procurement of wheat and rice

2807. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- the total number of operational storage facilities currently operating for crops in the country;
- whether it is a fact that the State agencies procured only 71 million tonnes of wheat and rice in 2017-18 out of 210 million tonnes of production;
- if so, the details thereof;
- whether low procurement had to do with lower storage capacity; and
- if so, the steps taken to increase storage capacity in the country during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY): (a) As on 30.06.2018, a total of 2090 godowns are available with Food Corporation of India (FCI) for storage of central pool stock.

(b) and (c) The total production and procurement of wheat and rice by FCI and State Agencies during 2017-18 are as given below:

(Figures in LMT)

	Production	Procurement			Total
		FCI	Private Players	State Government/ Agencies	
Wheat	985.12	36.09	-	272.15	308.24
Rice	1115.22*	5.13	1.57	377.64	384.35
TOTAL					692.54

*As per 3rd Advance estimates of Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.

(d) and (e) On the basis of peak stock requirement during normal procurement season, the overall storage capacity required for central pool food grains in the country is about 650 Lakh Metric Tonnes (LMT). Against this, the total storage capacity available with Food Corporation of India (FCI), Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) and the State Agencies (both owned and hired capacity), is 855.98 LMT as on 30.06.2018 comprising 724.74 LMT in covered godowns and 131.24 LMT in Cover and Plinth (CAP) storage. As such, there is sufficient capacity for storage of central pool foodgrains at the national level.

Normally, peak stock of foodgrains in the central pool occurs around 1st June of every year. Total storage capacity available with FCI and State Agencies as on 1st June during 2016-2018 with corresponding stock position in central pool is given below:

(Figures in LMT)

As on	Storage capacity owned by FCI	Storage capacity hired by FCI	Storage capacity with State agencies	Total Storage capacity	Stock position
01.06.2016	154.15	208.32	449.47	811.94	534.29
01.06.2017	154.25	207.45	421.47	783.17	555.40
01.06.2018	154.44	226.62	474.92	855.98	680.25

Thus, on the overall, there is sufficient capacity for storage of foodgrains in the country.

Pendency of consumer cases in Maharashtra

2808. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of cases pending in various consumer redressal fora in the State of Maharashtra as on date along with the reasons for their pendency;
- (b) the action Government proposes to take to clear the backlog of cases in these fora within a time-frame; and
- (c) how far the Jaago Grahak Jaago campaign of the Government has succeeded in Maharashtra?