

Coarsegrains (Procurement data in Metric Tonnes as on 25.02.2020)*

Jowar	-	-	6853.00	-	-	-	-	6853.00
Bajra	-	-	100076.00	-	-	-	-	100076.00
Maize	-	-	19.00	-	-	-	-	19.00

Pulses (Procurement data in Metric Tonnes as on 27.02.2020)#

Gram	45.97	788025.29	-	-	-	-	-	788071.26
Masoor	-	56237.87	-	-	-	-	-	56237.87
Moong	-	166051.49	-	-	-	-	-	166051.49
Toor	-	186585.72	-	-	-	-	-	186585.72
Urad	-	18373.23	-	-	-	-	-	18373.23

Source: (i) * Department of Food and Public Distribution

(ii)# Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare

Construction of steel silos

1843. SHRI NARESH GUJRAL: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has achieved the projected target of construction of steel silos of 100 LMT capacities as projected to be achieved by 2020, if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether there was any monitoring mechanism to check the implementation of the scheme, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Ministry has State-wise data of steel silo construction by FCI in the last five years, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO): (a) As on 02.03.2020, locations for construction of steel silos of total capacity 82.75 Lakh Metric Tonnes (LMT) (comprising 82.50 LMT wheat silos and 0.25 LMT rice silos) have been finalized. Out of this, a capacity of 7.25 LMT has been completed and work has been awarded for 35.50 LMT. In other locations, challenges like land acquisition, requirement of particular shape and size of contiguous land parcel with 1.5 Km. railway siding/ approach road etc. have been faced.

(b) State Level Committees (SLCs) and High Level Committee (HLC) have been constituted to look into the various issues pertaining to silos like storage scenario, policy changes, contract disputes etc. Regular meetings are held to look into the issues pertaining to implementation of silos.

Further, regular review meetings are held by the Government/Food Corporation of India (FCI) at appropriate levels for construction of steel silos.

Further, there is a provision of Independent Engineer & Auditor (IE&A) who reviews and supervises the silos during the construction and operation period.

(c) During the last 5 years, a total capacity of 1.25 LMT has been created by FCI in Punjab comprising Kotkapura (0.25 LMT), Barnala (0.50 LMT) and Patiala (0.50 LMT).

Quality and hygiene standards of online food delivery services

1844. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that e-commerce is witnessing a spurt in online food ordering and delivery services in the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether attention of Government has been drawn towards large number of complaints about food quality and hygiene standards of such online food delivery service companies and restaurants, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to regulate the online food ordering and services companies to protect the rights of consumers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO): (a) and (b) Yes Sir, online food ordering and delivery services have increased during the last three years. The details of the number of consumer grievances filed with National Consumer Helpline in the last two years, which also shows an increasing trend is as under:

Year	No. of grievance registered in e-commerce & food sectors
Apr 2018 to Mar 2019	1053
Apr 2019 to Jan 2020	1955