

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2792
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH MARCH, 2023

**EFFICIENT STORAGE SYSTEMS FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE
IN UTTAR PRADESH**

2792 # SHRI MITHLESH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken any initiative to develop efficient storage systems (warehouses, godowns, cold stores, integrated cold chains, etc.) at block and regional level for agricultural produce in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

A N S W E R

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSUMER
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(a) to (c):- To identify the blocks having no storage facility, a survey was conducted by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD). Based on that data, 925 blocks (**Annexure-A**) were identified where no storage infrastructure was available. Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution has requested state governments to develop warehousing facilities in these blocks using various schemes of central and state governments e.g. Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF), Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) for cold storage and Agriculture Marketing Infrastructure (AMI) etc.

However, Storage capacity of FCI depends upon the level of procurement, requirement of buffer norms and PDS operations. Storage gap is assessed in the procuring States based on the highest stock levels in the last three years and in the consuming States on the basis of 4 months (6 months in case of North Eastern States and in some other states like J&K, Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep) requirement of NFSA and OWS.

FCI continuously assesses and monitors the storage capacity and based on the storage gap assessment, storage capacities are created/hired through the following schemes: -

1. Construction of Silo's under PPP mode
2. Private Entrepreneurs Guarantee (PEG) Scheme
3. Central Sector Scheme (CSS)
4. Hiring of godown from CWCs/SWCs/State Agencies
5. Hiring of godown through Private Warehousing Scheme (PWS)

Total number of godowns of FCI in Uttar Pradesh is 244 with storage capacity of 44.28 LMT including owned and hired.

Besides, Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) is having 51 warehouses with total storage capacity of 12.87 LMT in state of Uttar Pradesh (**Annexure-B**)

ANNEXURE-A

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2792 FOR ANSWER ON 24.03.2023 IN THE RAJYA SABHA.

Based on the NABARD's data, details of blocks/ taluk having no storage infrastructure was shared with following states:

Sr. No.	Name of the State	No. of Talukas where there is no dry warehouse/cold storage/Silo/pack house/any other storage facility
1	Assam	89
2	Delhi	15
3	Goa	1
4	Himachal Pradesh	45
5	Jammu & Kashmir	47
6	Karnataka	20
7	Manipur	31
8	Meghalaya	31
9	Mizoram	12
10	Madhya Pradesh	96
11	Nagaland	108
12	Sikkim	6
13	Daman & Diu	1
14	Andaman Nicobar	6
15	Jharkhand	130
16	Bihar	243
17	Tripura	26
18	Uttar Pradesh	17
19	Uttarakhand	1
	TOTAL	925

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The District-wise number of Operational Godowns in Uttar Pradesh for storing foodgrains			
Sl. No.	District	No. of Warehouse	Total Capacity (In MT)
1	Agra	1	14327
2	Bahraich	1	11570
3	Ballia	1	40274
4	Banda	1	9050
5	Basti	1	41042
6	Bijnore	1	24572
7	Bulandshahar	2	25000
8	Etawah	1	24565
9	Faizabad	1	8910
10	Gautam Buddha Ngr	6	120247
11	Ghaziabad	6	186019
12	Gorakhpur	2	43964
13	Hardoi	1	48090
14	Jaunpur	1	58320
15	Jhansi	3	36220
16	Kanpur	2	13252
17	Kheeri	1	17973
18	Lucknow	2	36738
19	Maunath Bhanjan	1	17185
20	Muzaffar Nagar	4	217889
21	Pilibhit	1	8970
22	Prayagraj	1	28400
23	Rampur	1	27370
24	Saharanpur	2	97980
25	Sambhal	2	29252
26	Sant Ravi Das Ngr	1	15708
27	Shahjahanpur	2	64767
28	Siddharthnagar	1	11664
29	Sonbhadra	1	8022
Grand Total		51	1287340
