

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5036
ANSWERED ON:20.04.2001
STORAGE CAPACITY OF FCI GODOWN
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the percentage utilization of storage capacity as on January 1, 2001 by Food Corporation of India has been ten per cent less; and

(b) the details of the steps being taken by Government to make optimum utilization of storage capacity by FCI?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a) The percentage utilization of the total storage capacity available with Food Corporation of India as on 1.1.2001 has been an all time optimal at 90% and has further increased to 92% as on 1.2.2001.

(b) To increase the capacity utilization, the following steps are being taken by FCI :-

(i) to liquidate the obsolete/dead stock item lying in depots.

(ii) to increase the height of stacks.

(iii) to liquidate damaged foodgrains.

(iv) to closely monitor the available storage capacity in each depot.

(v) to liquidate part stacks.