

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

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USE OF CWC GODOWNS BY FCI
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the storage space belonging to Central Warehousing Corporation which is currently being used by FCI for storage of foodgrains; and

(b) the steps proposed to be taken to increase the utilization of storage space belonging to CWC by FCI?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): The storage space belonging to Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC), which is being used by Food Corporation of India (FCI) for storage of foodgrains, is 13.6 lakh MTs.

(b): To increase the utilization of storage space belonging to CWC by FCI, Government has instructed FCI to de-hire private godowns (Covered and CAP) having less than 25% utilization. FCI has also been advised to give priority to hire CWC's godowns for storage of foodgrains.