

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

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FCI GODOWNS IN ANDHRA PRADESH
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any demand to set up more Food Corporation of India (FCI) godowns in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a), (b) & (c): Requests for setting up more FCI godowns in Andhra Pradesh are received from time to time. However, keeping in view the huge vacant storage capacity of 22.88 lakh tonnes as on 31.3.2006 in FCI godowns in the State, it is not feasible for FCI to set up more godowns in Andhra Pradesh at present.