

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:66

ANSWERED ON:24.07.2006

DAMAGED WHEAT STOCK

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

- (a) the production, export and import of wheat recorded during the last three years;
- (b) whether huge quantity of foodgrains is rotting in the godowns of Food Corporation of India as reported in The Times of India dated June 30, 2006;
- (c) if so, whether any inquiry has been instituted in this regard;
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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 production and export figures of wheat during the last three years are as under:-

Year Production Export
(Lakh Metric (in lakh MTs)
Tonnes)

2003-04 721.5 70.69
2004-05 686.4 07.45 (upto Sept.04)
Export of foodgrains
has been stopped w.e.f.
1.10.2004.
2005-06 694.8 (estimated)

There has been no import of wheat for Central Pool stocks during the last three years.

(b): No, Sir.

(c), (d) & (e): Do not arise.