

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

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SHORTAGE OF PDS FOODGRAINS IN KERALA
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether shortage of foodgrain stock in certain depots of Food Corporation of India (FCI) in Kerala is adversely affecting the proper functioning of the Public Distribution System (PDS) in the State; and

(b) if so, whether the Government has directed the FCI authorities in the State to ensure smooth inter-depot movement and rational placement of stock in all depots of the State for proper working of the PDS in the State?

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): No, Sir.

No such instance of non-availability of foodgrains stocks in any of the base depot under FCI in Kerala Region has come to notice.

(b): Question does not arise.