

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 502
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY, 2026

SUPPLY OF FOODGRAINS TO FLOOD-AFFECTED DISTRICTS

502. MD. RAKIBUL HUSSAIN:

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

- (a): whether the Government has ensured uninterrupted and adequate supply of food grains to flood-affected districts of Assam during the recent flood seasons, in view of large-scale displacement and loss of livelihoods;
- (b): if so, the quantum of food grains released and distributed as relief including allocations under the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF), State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and other special packages, district and scheme-wise;
- (c): the details of Union and State agencies involved in the procurement, transportation, storage and distribution of such relief foodgrains along with the coordination mechanism put in place to avoid delays and shortages; and
- (d): the details of the total expenditure incurred by the Union Government on procurement, transportation, storage and distribution of food grains for flood relief in Assam during the last five years?

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(a): The Government of India ensures availability of adequate stocks of foodgrains in its depots and releases the stock as per allocation of foodgrains made to all States/ UTs (including Government of Assam) on the basis of identification of beneficiaries reported by them.

District-wise allocation is being made by concerned States/ UTs. Further, distribution of foodgrains to flood-affected areas falls within the jurisdiction of the State Government.

(b): The allocation of foodgrains to Government of Assam for F.Y. 2025-2026 is 16.95 Lakh MT of foodgrains (i.e. 16.41 Lakh MT of Rice under National Food Security Act and 0.54 Lakh MT of Wheat under Tide-Over category) & for F.Y. 2026-27 (upto June 2026) is 4.23 Lakh MT of foodgrains (i.e. 4.11 Lakh MT of Rice under National Food Security Act and 0.12 Lakh MT of Wheat under Tide-Over category).

Food Corporation of India releases foodgrains based on allocations made by the Government of India and as per indents received from the respective State Governments. The details of sale through OMSS (Domestic) to State Government without e-auction during the flood season is as under:-

(Qty. in MTs)

F.Y.	Sub-Allocation	Lifting
2025-26	14536	2339.51
2026-27(upto June 2026)	17000	149.53

The actual distribution to beneficiaries and scheme-wise utilization (including SDRF/ NDRF etc.) falls under the purview of the State Government. The district-wise lifting status is **Annexed**.

(c): The Government through FCI, stores foodgrains mainly wheat and rice at designated depots/ warehouses across the country as per the requirement and distribution under NFSA and Other Welfare Schemes.

Further, the procurement, storage and transportation of foodgrains up to designated depots/ points is done by FCI. FCI along with other State Agencies undertakes procurement of wheat and paddy under price support scheme. Procurement of foodgrains from farmers is mostly undertaken by State Govt. agencies and the share of FCI in Minimum Support Price (MSP) procurement operations is, as such, very limited.

Distribution of foodgrains to the beneficiaries, including in flood-affected areas, is undertaken by the State Government, through its designated agencies. Coordination is carried out as per existing guidelines and through regular interaction between FCI, State Government Officials and other concerned authorities.

(d): Department of Food and Public Distribution reimburse the expenditure incurred by States including Assam, that have opted for Decentralized Procurement (DCP) mode for distribution of food-grains to the beneficiaries of Central Schemes as per allocation made by Government of India. The difference between Economic Cost and Central Issue Price (CIP), at which foodgrains are issued to States, is reimbursed to Food Corporation of India (FCI) and DCP States as food subsidy. Funds are also released to FCI for maintenance of buffer stocks. The food subsidy released to DCP States & FCI is made as per budgetary allocation made by Ministry of Finance (MoF). State wise funds are not allocated by MoF. Further, funds are also released by Food Corporation of India (FCI) to the States for the quantum of food-grains handed over to them by States for Central Pool. Assam is a DCP State for only 2 districts and has adopted DCP mode since 2023-24. Food subsidy released to Assam under DCP mode is as below:

Sr. No.	Financial Year	Amount (Rs. in crores)
1.	2020-21	-
2.	2021-22	-
3.	2022-23	-
4.	2023-24	-
5.	2024-25	-
6.	2025-26	94.20

Further, expenditure related to flood relief operations, including under SDRF/ NDRF, is incurred and compiled by the State Government/ concerned Authorities.

Annexure referred to in the reply to Part (b) of Unstarred Question No. 502 in the Lok Sabha on 22.07.2026.

Sr. No.	District	Sub-allocation (MT)	Quantity Lifted (MT)
1	Bajali	748	0
2	Baksa	80	0
3	Barpeta	873	0
4	Biswanath	378	0
5	Bongaigaon	118	0
6	Cachar	1040	0
7	Charaideo	180	9.399
8	Chirang	47	8.214
9	Darrang	899	0
10	Dhemaji	612	131.913
11	Dhubri	2400	0
12	Dibrugarh	283	0
13	Dima Hasao	10	0
14	Goalpara	300	0
15	Golaghat	590	0
16	Hailakandi	647	0
17	Hojai	364	0
18	Jorhat	150	0
19	Kamrup	50	0
20	Kamrup (M)	156	0
21	Karbi Anglong	59	0
22	Kokrajhar	110	0
23	Lakhimpur	911	0
24	Majuli	403	0

25	Morigaon	513	0
26	Nagaon	1418	0
27	Nalbari	675	0
28	Sivasagar	539	0
29	Sonitpur	379	0
30	South Salmara Mankachar	259	0
31	Sribhumi	1403	0
32	Tamulpur	116	0
33	Tinsukia	250	0
34	Udalguri	9	0
35	West Karbi Anglong	31	0
Total		17000.00	149.53
