

GS-III Storage, Transport and Marketing of Agricultural Produce and Issues and Related Constraints

- 1. India must use the corona-crisis to reform the agri-marketing system by abolishing the APMC Act, promoting e-NAM, and allowing Warehouses to Double up as Mandis. Comment.**

Why this Question?

- Reforms needed in the Agricultural Marketing System.

Key Demands of Question:

- Explain in brief issues in the agricultural marketing system in India and the needed reforms to address the issue.

Directive Word:

Comment:

- When you are asked to comment, you have to pick main points and give your 'opinion' on them based on evidences or arguments stemming from your wide reading.
- Your opinion may be for or against, but you must back your argument with evidences.
- These types of question offer you a chance to consolidate your reading of different subjects to justify your opinion.

Structure of Answer:

Introduction:

- Give brief highlight about the pandemics impact on the agricultural marketing system.

Body:

- Explain the issues in the current Agri marketing system. For Example issues in APMC act, etc.
- Discuss how the reforms such as e-NAM will help to improve the supply chain in agriculture.
- Highlight the various initiatives taken by the government in this regard.

Conclusion:

- Conclude with the way forward measures to comprehensively address the Agricultural Marketing System.