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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1212 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH DECEMBER 2022

PROCUREMENT OF CROPS AT MSP

1212 DR. KANIMOZHI NVN SOMU:

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

- (a) whether Central agencies discriminate against the States in the procurement of crops at Minimum Support Price (MSP) rates and if so, the complaints made by the States in this regard from time to time;
- (b) the procurement of crops, in metric tonnes, being made at present at MSP rates, cropwise;
- (c) the details of procurement of crops at the fixed MSP during the last five years; and
- (d) whether Government proposes to make it mandatory to procure as much quantity of crops as the farmers desire to sell?

A N S W E R MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

- (a): Central agencies do not discriminate towards States in the procurement of crops under Minimum Support Price (MSP).
- (b): The crop-wise procurement of farmer's crops at MSP rate for central pool during 2022-23 is at Annexure-I
- (c): The details of procurement of farmer's crops at MSP for central pool during last five years is at **Annexure-II**.
- (d): The estimates for procurement of Paddy (in terms rice) and wheat are finalized by Government of India in consultation with State Governments and Food Corporation of India, before the commencement of each marketing season based upon estimated production, marketable surplus and agricultural crop pattern.

Procurement in a State depends not only upon production but also upon other multiple factors like marketable surplus, MSP, prevailing market rate, demand & supply situation and participation of private traders etc.

Coarsegrains are procured at MSP by State Governments as per the procurement plan prepared in consultation with FCI and approved by the Central Government, subject to its distribution by the State Government under National Food Security Act (NFSA)/ Other Welfare Schemes (OWS).

In order to provide remunerative price to the farmers, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare implements "Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan" (PM-AASHA), comprising Price Support Scheme (PSS), Price Deficiency Payment Scheme (PDPS) and pilot of Private Procurement and Stockist Scheme (PPSS). Under PM-AASHA, States/UTs are offered to choose either of PSS and PDPS in a given procurement season with respect to particular oilseeds crop for the entire State. The pulses and copra are procured under PSS. Only one scheme i.e PSS or PDPS will be made operational in one State with respect to one commodity.

Further, Government of India, through Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) undertakes procurement of entire quantity of cotton, offered at MSP rates without any quantitative limits. Similarly, Jute Corporation of India procure jute from farmers at MSP rates without any quantitative limit.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1212 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 16.12.2022 IN THE RAJYA SABHA REG. PROCUREMENT OF CROPS AT MSP

Crop-wise procurement of farmer's crop at MSP rate for central pool for 2022-23

S. No.	Crop	Unit	Quantity	Position as on	
1	Wheat	LMT	187.92	12.12.2022	
2	Paddy	LMT	380.59	12.12.2022	
3	Jowar	MT	15.3	07.12.2022	
4	Bajara	MT	1,11,058.00	07.12.2022	
5	Maize	MT	45.25	07.12.2022	
6	Jute	MT	10,914.0	05.12.2022	
7	Copra	MT	40,901.42	08.12.2022	
8	Groundnut	MT	4,283.64	08.12.2022	
9	Moong	MT	70,180.56	08.12.2022	
10	Toor	MT	12,965.83	07.12.2022	
11	Urad	MT	9.10	08.12.2022	

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1212 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 16.12.2022 IN THE RAJYA SABHA REG. PROCUREMENT OF CROPS AT MSP

Details of procurement of farmers' crop at MSP for central pool during last five year

			Quantity procured					
S. No.	Crop	Unit	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	
1	Wheat	LMT	308.24	357.95	341.32	389.92	433.44	
2	Paddy	LMT	568.38	660.11	770.93	895.65	881.70	
3	Jowar	MT	2668.00	12093.00	23338.00	146472.00	156575	
4	Bajra	MT	20000.00	100891.00	100076.00	361871.00	13251.00	
5	Maize	MT	47794.00	12103.00	115138.00	205315.00	22767.00	
6	Ragi	MT	0.00	94390.00	193243.00	494350.00	437339.00	
7	Copra	MT	0.00	0.00	313.84	5088.92	32.95	
8	Groundnut	MT	1051582.68	717514.93	723085.62	286233.33	149696.34	
9	Mustard seed	MT	873661.00	1088945.26	803843.64	0.68	0.00	
10	Nigerseed	MT	0.00	15.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	
12	Soyabean	MT	72282.10	19483.02	10677.68	3.69	0.00	
13	Sunflower seed	MT	2745.43	3336.33	5267.08	3885.72	1905.44	
14	Gram	MT	2769430.16	776406.21	2158434.06	637545.78	2629460.83	
15	Masoor	MT	246943.85	56237.87	1433.88	18.35	0.00	
16	Moong	MT	299182.35	328714.16	147130.39	167391.20	463274.09	
17	Toor	MT	1131834.66	291000.87	665028.54	75999.75	36184.14	
18	Urad	MT	363593.88	492294.14	132.31	1087.06	17144.42	
19	Jute	MT	61011.20	13079.20	14812.90	716.20	250.80	
20	Cotton	lakh Bales	3.90	10.70	105.15	91.89	0.001	