

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2791
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH MARCH, 2023

PADDY PROCUREMENT

2791 SHRI S. KALYANASUNDARAM:
SHRI M. MOHAMED ABDULLA:

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

- (a) the details of funds allocated, disbursed and utilised for paddy procurement for the State of Tamil Nadu, district-wise for the year 2022-23;
- (b) the total quantity of paddy procured by Government from the State of Tamil Nadu, district-wise for the year 2022-23;
- (c) whether Government has any plans to streamline the Paddy Procurement Centres through eDPC and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the amount of paddy lost due to wastage and pilferage for the year 2022-23, district-wise for the State of Tamil Nadu?

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

(a): No State-wise and district-wise separate allocation of funds is made by Government of India for procurement and distribution of paddy. However, an amount of Rs.7063.69 crore has been released as on 21.03.2023 to State Government of Tamil Nadu for distribution of food grains for Central schemes covered under National Food Security Act and Other Welfare Schemes during the year 2022-23.

(b): As intimated by State Government of Tamil Nadu, 26,58,235 MTs of paddy has been procured during KMS 2022-23 up to 14.03.2023. Details of district-wise paddy procurement for the KMS 2022-23 is enclosed at Annexure I.

(c) and (d): As intimated by State Government, necessary arrangement have been made to form a centralized farmers data base (GRAINS) throughout the State with integration of various Departments' data with the help of Aadhar numbers of farmers. Further, to identify the land locations, geo-tagging is being planned in the State's online module (GRAINS). In order to streamline the paddy procurement during ensuing KMS, farmer's Aadhar authentication is going to be introduced and State is also planning to introduce Aadhar enabled Payment System (AePS).

(e): As intimated by State Government, there was no loss due to wastage and pilferage for the year 2022-23.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2791 FOR ANSWER ON 24.03.2023 IN THE RAJYA SABHA.

PADDY PROCUREMENT ANNEXURE-I		
KMS 2022-23		
SL No	Name of the Region	Paddy Purchased Upto 14.03.2023
		QTY IN MTs
1	Ariyalur	30698
2	Chennai North	0
3	Chennai South	0
4	Coimbatore	2326
5	Cuddalore	131002
6	Dharmapuri	0
7	Dindigul	5664
8	Erode	67360
9	Kallakurichi	10540
10	Kanchipuram	29001
11	Chengalpet	43506
12	Kanyakumari	4195
13	Karur	8807
14	Krishnagari	0
15	Madurai	61099
16	Nagapattinam	242706
17	Mayiladuthuri	263379
18	Namakkal	750
19	Nilgiris	0
20	Perambalur	4082
21	Pudukkottai	95590
22	Ramanathpuram	7956
23	Ranipet	21998
24	Salem	2303
25	Sivagangai	44350
26	Tenkasi	14507
27	Thanjavur	666423
28	Theni	4006
29	Tirunelveli	15159
30	Thiruvallur	60043
31	Thiruvannamalai	19738
32	Thiruvarur	696336
33	Tirupathur	0
34	Tiruppur	4213
35	Thiruchirapalli	52145
36	Tuticorin	1317
37	Vellore	16029
38	Viluppuram	13387
39	Virudhunagar	17620
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