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

# **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3397** TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.04.2025

#### FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR PRICE STABILISATION FUND

## 3397. SHRI SADANAND MHALU SHET TANAVADE SMT. KIRAN CHOUDHRY SMT. REKHA SHARMA SHRI RYAGA KRISHNAIAH

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

- (a) the funds allocated by the Ministry for the Price Stabilisation Fund the amount spent as of February, 2025;
- (b) the agri-horticultural commodities covered for price volatility in the FY 2024-25 as of February, 2025;
- (c) whether the fund has been merged with components of Prime Minister Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM AASHA) umbrella scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI B.L VERMA)

(a) : Budgetary support allocated for the Price Stabilisation Fund during 2024-25 (RE) was Rs.7,000 crore out of which,Rs.6910.90 crore has been utilized as of February, 2025.

(b) : Under the Price Stabilisation Fund, dynamic buffer stock of pulses (Tur, Urad, Moong, Masur and Gram) and onion is maintained for calibrated release to stabilize the volatility in prices.

(c) & (d) : The continuation of Price Stabilisation Fund (PSF) scheme during 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission award period upto 2025-26 was approved by the Union Cabinet as a component of Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA) of Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DAFW) to bring about convergence with the Price Support Scheme (PSS).

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