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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 943
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24TH JULY, 2018

PROCUREMENT OF PADDY

943. SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the steps taken by the Government to procure paddy from Madhya Pradesh during the current year;
- (b) whether due to lack of required godowns for storage of paddy in Madhya Pradesh, the entire production of paddy of farmers could not be procured;
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal to give bonus to the farmers in Madhya Pradesh for procurement of their entire paddy produce; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a): Madhya Pradesh is a Decentralized procurement state for paddy procurement. Being a DCP state, State Government procures paddy from the farmers at MSP fixed by Govt. of India, gets the paddy milled and retains rice for State requirement under NFSA and Other Welfare Schemes. Only the surplus rice is handed over to FCI which is moved to other consuming states by FCI.

Government of Madhya Pradesh has procured 16.35 LMT paddy during KMS 2017-18 by operating 1122 number of procurement centres covering major procuring belts in the State.

Further, Government of Madhya Pradesh has estimated to procure 20 LMT of Paddy during KMS 2018-19. In order to ensure that MSP benefits reaches maximum number of farmers, the State intends to operate 1200 procurement centres during KMS 2018-19.

(b) & (c): During KMS 2017-18, a total quantity of 16.35 LMT paddy has been procured. In the state of Madhya Pradesh, FCI and State Govt. has a total available storage capacity of 150.27 LMT (as on 30.06.2018) which is sufficient for storing foodgrain required under NFSA and Other Welfare Schemes. Thus, paddy procurement has not been affected due to lack of required godowns.

(d) & (e): Government has no proposal to give bonus on paddy over and above MSP in any state.
