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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3844 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH JULY, 2019

PROCUREMENT OF FOODGRAINS

3844. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले , खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the targets fixed and achieved for procurement of foodgrains during each of the last three years and the current year along with the quantum of foodgrains procured by the private traders during the said period, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has decided to procure foodgrains at market rates for the Public Distribution System (PDS) and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government had prepared any policy for buying foodgrains for the PDS at market rates in order to meet the shortfall and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure remunerative price to the farmers for their produce?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (CUBL DANKE BACCALIER BARAGE)

(SHRI DANVE RAOSAHEB DADARAO)

(a): The Department of Food & Public Distribution is responsible for extending price support to paddy and wheat through the Food Corporation of India (FCI) and State Agencies across the country.

State-wise, estimate and procurement of Rice and Wheat during each of the last three years and the current year is enclosed as Annexure-I & II respectively.

This department does not keep record of purchases of foodgrains by private traders.

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- (b): No.
- (c): No.
- (d): The following steps are taken to ensure that farmers get remunerative price for wheat and paddy:
- i) Before the onset of each marketing season, Department of Food and Public Distribution, Government of India (GOI) holds a consultative meeting with the officials of Food Corporation of India (FCI), State Governments and others to make an assessment of availability of wheat and paddy/rice for procurement at MSP based on the prospects of production and market situation.
- ii) Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations are given wide publicity through pamphlets, banners, sign boards radio, TV and advertisements through print & electronic media.
- iii) Farmers are made aware of the quality specifications and purchase system, etc. to facilitate the farmers to bring their produce conforming to the specifications.
- iv) Procurement centres are opened by respective State Government Agencies/ Food Corporation of India (FCI), taking into account the production, marketable surplus, convenience of farmers and availability of other logistics / infrastructure such as storage and transportation, etc. Large number of temporary purchase centres, in addition to the existing Mandis and depots/godowns are also established at key points for the convenience of the farmers.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3844 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 16.07.2019 IN THE LOK SABHA.

ESTIMATE AND PROCUREMENT OF RICE

(Figures in LMT)

As on 08.07.2019

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S. No S		KMS 2015-16		KMS 2016-17		KMS 2017-18		KMS 2018-19	
		Estimate	Procurement	Estimate	Procurement	Estimate	Procurement	Estimate	Procurement#
1	A&N ISLANDS								
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	36.70	43.36	42.00	37.24	43.00	40.00	52.54	45.65
3	TELANGANA	24.30	15.79	30.00	35.96	34.00	36.18	45.00	51.86
4	ASSAM	0.50	0.42	1.00	0.47	1.09	0.35	1.00	0.72
5	BIHAR	20.00	12.23	20.00	12.34	12.00	7.93	8.00	9.49
6	CHANDIGARH		0.16		0.13		0.14		0.13
7	CHHATISGARH	36.00	34.42	35.00	40.22	48.00	32.55	40.00	40.80
8	DELHI		0.00						
9	GUJARAT		0.01		0.01		0.01		0.09
10	HARYANA	23.45	28.61	29.00	35.83	30.00	39.92	39.75	39.41
11	HIMACHAL PRADESH		0.00						
12	JAMMU & KASHMIR		0.07		0.08		0.13		0.09
13	JHARKHAND	3.00	2.06	2.72	1.39	2.50	1.43	2.50	1.53
14	KARNATAKA	0.95	0.55	0.50		1.00		2.00	
15	KERALA	3.70	3.82	2.22	3.08	2.32	3.29	3.70	4.65
16	MADHYA PRADESH	10.50	8.49	9.00	13.14	13.00	10.96	13.00	13.95
17	MAHARASHTRA	2.10	2.30	3.25	3.09	4.34	1.79	5.50	5.72
18	NAGALAND		0.00						
19	ODISHA	36.00	33.69	31.00	36.30	37.00	32.87	37.00	43.83
20	PUDUCHERRY		0.00						
21	PUNJAB	82.00	93.50	94.50	110.52	115.00	118.33	114.00	113.34
22	TRIPURA								0.07
23	RAJASTHAN		0.00						
24	TAMIL NADU	13.50	11.92	15.00	1.44	15.00	10.11	14.80	12.08
25	UTTAR PRADESH	27.50	29.10	33.50	23.54	37.00	28.75	33.00	32.33
26	UTTRAKHAND	4.70	5.98	6.00	7.06	7.00	0.38	5.00	4.62
27	WEST BENGAL	24.80	15.68	25.00	19.23	27.00	16.73	31.00\$	17.16
28	OTHERS	0.30	0.00	0.31		0.75		0.25	
	ALL INDIA TOTAL :	350.00	342.18	380.00	381.06	430.00	381.85	448.04	437.52

[#] KMS 2018-19 is in progress

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ESTIMATE AND PROCUREMENT OF WHEAT

(Figures in LMT) # As on 08.07.2019

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S. No	STATE/UT	RMS 2016-17		RMS 2017-18		RMS 2018-19		RMS 2019-20	
		Estimate	Procurement	Estimate	Procurement	Estimate	Procurement	Estimate	Procurement
1	Punjab	110.00	106.49	115.00	117.06	119.00	126.92	125.00	129.12
2	Haryana	65.00	67.52	75.00	74.32	74.00	87.84	85.00	93.20
3	Uttar Pradesh	35.00	7.97	30.00	36.99	40.00	52.94	50.00	37.00
4	Uttarakhand	1.00	0.02	1.50	0.02	1.00	1.10	2.00	0.42
5	Madhya Pradesh	68.00	39.92	85.00	67.25	67.00	73.13	75.00	67.25
6	Gujarat	0.85	0.00	0.50	0.07	0.50	0.37	0.50	0.05
7	Rajasthan	18.00	7.62	17.50	12.45	16.00	15.32	17.00	14.11
8	Bihar	7.00	0.00	5.00	0.00	2.00	0.18	2.00	0.03
9	Jharkhand	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Karnataka	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	Delhi	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12	J & K	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
13	Maharashtra	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
14	Odisha	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
15	Himachal Pradesh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01
16	Chandigarh	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.14	0.00	0.12
17	West Bengal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
18	Chhattisgarh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	Andhra Pradesh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	Assam	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
21	Telangana	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
22	Others	0.15	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50	0.00
	All India Total:	305.00	229.62	330.00	308.24	320.00	357.95	357.00	341.32850
