

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1127
TO BE ANSWERED ON 8TH FEBRUARY, 2023

PADDY PROCUREMENT

†1127. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has completed paddy procurement in all the States of the country including Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, whether there has been procurement of more quantity of paddy than the prescribed target;
- (c) whether payment has been made to the farmers for their agricultural produce;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) whether there is any plan to purchase paddy from the farmers who have not been able to sell their paddy; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a): During Kharif Marketing Season (KMS) 2022-23 (Kharif crop), the procurement period of paddy in the country is from 01.09.2022 to 30.06.2023. The procurement period of paddy differs from State to State. In some States procurement period has completed but in most of the States, the procurement period is upto 31.03.2023. The procurement of paddy in Madhya Pradesh is up to 15.02.2023.

(b): A quantity of 648.06 LMT paddy (434.83 LMT in terms of rice) has been procured against estimate of 765.43 LMT paddy (514 LMT in terms of rice) upto 31.01.2023.

(c) and (d): State-wise, details of payment made to farmers for their agricultural produce during KMS 2022-23 (Kharif) is at Annexure-I.

(e) and (f): There exists a transparent and uniform policy for procurement of paddy by Government Agencies across the country. State Government agencies and Food Corporation of India (FCI) purchase paddy within the stipulated period with prescribed Fair Average Quality (FAQ) specification at Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Central Pool.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) & (d) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1127 FOR ANSWER ON 08.02.2023 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Details of Payment Made to Farmers during KMS 2022-23 (Kharif)

S. No.	STATE/UT	Payment Made to Farmers* (in Rs. Crores)
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	4,773.65
2	TELANGANA	12,657.97
3	ASSAM	204.93
4	BIHAR	2,850.35
5	CHANDIGARH	38.81
6	CHHATTISGARH	21,675.00
7	GUJARAT	302.93
8	HARYANA	12,035.76
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	28.99
10	JHARKHAND	62.73
11	JAMMU & KASHMIR	68.87
12	KERALA	260.00
13	MADHYA PRADESH	8,299.76
14	MAHARASHTRA	335.00
15	ODISHA	7,019.73
16	PUNJAB	37,470.79
17	NEF (Tripura)	12.53
18	TAMILNADU	571.00
19	UTTAR PRADESH	11,605.59
20	UTTRAKHAND	1,788.91
21	WEST BENGAL	748.34
	ALL INDIA TOTAL	122,811.64

* Data reported upto 31.01.2023.
