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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1113 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26TH JULY, 2023

PADDY PROCUREMENT

1113. SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of paddy procured till June 2023 alongwith the number of farmers benefitted;
- (b) the details of MSP payment this year for wheat and paddy against last year's payment;
- (c) the quantity of paddy procured all over India, State-wise during the last five years;
- (d) the price of paddy procured during the last five years for all States;
- (e) whether there is any delay in paddy procurement in this Session, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether global rise in commodity prices has positively affected paddy procurement prices in India and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (g) whether the Government has made any arrangement for hassle free procurement of wheat and rice so that adequate food grain stock in Government granaries could be maintained, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a): During current KMS 2022-23, 843.43 LMT of paddy has been procured upto 30th June, 23 benefitting 1,24,39,247 farmers.
- (b): The total value of MSP of Wheat procured during the last year and current year is as under:

RMS	MSP(in Rs./qtl.)	Total Procurement	Total Value	
		(In LMT)	(In Rs. crore)	
2022-23	2015	187.92	37865.88	
2023-24	2125	262.02	55679.25	

The total value of MSP of Paddy procured during the last year and current year is as under:

KMS	MSP (in Rs./qtl.)	Total Procurement (In LMT)	Total Value(in Rs. crore.)	
2021-22	1960	857.30	168030.80	
2022-23 (upto 30.06.2023)	2060	843.43	173746.58	

- (c): State wise quantity of paddy procured during last five years is attached as Annexure-I
- (d): The Minimum Support Price (MSP) announced by the Government of India (GOI) at the beginning of the sowing season of crops is uniform for all the states across the country. The MSP of paddy procured during last five years for all States is as under:

S.NO.	KMS	MSP (In Rs./QTL)	MSP value of procured paddy (in Rs. crore)		
1	2018-2019	1770	116838.72		
2	2019-2020	1835	141465.94		
3	2020-2021	1888	169099.84		
4	2021-2022	1960	168030.80		
5	2022-2023 (upto 18.07.2023)	2060	174355.04		

- (e): There is no case of delay in paddy procurement reported during this season.
- (f): The Paddy for Central pool is procured at Minimum Support Price (MSP) announced by the Government of India (GOI) at the beginning of the sowing season of crops on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) and remains uniform across the country. The paddy for central pool is procured at MSP only throughout the season irrespective of market price.
- (g): The stock position of wheat and rice under central pool is 554.94 LMT against the buffer norms of wheat and rice fixed by Government of India which is 411.20 LMT as on 01.07.2023. It is evident that stock level of wheat and rice is much above the buffer norms requirement.

The following steps have been taken for hassle free procurement of wheat and rice in the country:

- (i) The estimates for procurement of paddy are finalized by Government of India in consultation with State Governments and FCI, before the commencement of each marketing season based upon estimated production, marketable surplus and agricultural crop pattern.
- (ii) Procurement centres are opened by respective State Government agencies/ 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.
- (iii) Farmers have been made aware of the quality specifications and purchase system etc. to facilitate them to bring their produce conforming to the specifications.
- (iv) FCI and all the procuring States have developed their own Online Procurement System which ushers in transparency and convenience to the farmers through proper registration and monitoring of actual procurement.

- (v) Through e-procurement module deployed by procuring Agencies, farmers get latest/updated information regarding MSP declared, nearest purchase centre, date on which the farmer has to bring his produce to the purchase centre etc. This facilitates delivery of stock by the farmers and enables them to deliver stock conveniently in the mandi.
- (vi) "One Nation, One MSP through DBT" implemented across the country from RMS 2021-22 onwards. Payment of MSP has been ensured directly into farmers' account. DBT eliminated fictitious farmers and reduced the diversion and duplication of payment as payment is being made directly to farmer's bank account. DBT of MSP has brought in responsibility, transparency and real time monitoring in the system.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1113 FOR ANSWER ON 26.07.2023 IN THE LOK SABHA.

STATE-WISE DETAILS OF PROCUREMENT OF PADDY DURING LAST 5 YEARS

Fig. in LMT

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STATES	KMS 2018-19	KMS 2019-20	KMS 2020-21	KMS 2021-22	KMS 2022-23*
ANDHRA PRADESH	71.73	82.58	84.57	66.58	42.30
TELANGANA	77.46	111.26	141.09	110.35	131.78
ASSAM	1.53	3.15	2.12	5.66	5.93
BIHAR	14.16	20.02	35.59	44.90	42.05
CHANDIGARH	0.19	0.22	0.28	0.27	0.19
CHHATISGARH	58.40	74.86	71.07	92.01	87.53
GUJARAT	0.14	0.21	1.10	1.22	1.77
HARYANA	58.83	64.28	56.55	55.32	59.36
HIMACHAL PRADESH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.28	0.14
JHARKHAND	2.28	3.80	6.29	7.53	1.73
JAMMU & KASHMIR	0.14	0.15	0.38	0.41	0.33
KARNATAKA	0.88	0.61	2.06	2.19	0.21
KERALA	6.94	7.10	7.65	7.48	7.31
MADHYA PRADESH	20.82	25.97	37.27	45.83	46.16
MAHARASHTRA	8.66	17.42	18.99	18.32	18.47
ODISHA	65.41	70.57	77.33	71.04	79.16
PUNJAB	169.16	162.33	202.82	187.28	182.11
RAJASTHAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00
TRIPURA	0.10	0.21	0.24	0.58	0.42
TAMIL NADU	19.03	32.41	44.90	27.58	30.61
UTTAR PRADESH	48.25	56.57	66.84	65.53	65.50
UTTRAKHAND	6.89	10.18	10.72	11.56	8.96
WEST BENGAL	29.11	27.03	27.79	35.31	34.36
TOTAL	660.11	770.93	895.65	857.30	846.38
* Position upto 18.07.2023					

Fig of Puducherry are included in Tamil Nadu
