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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3801 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND DECEMBER, 2015

FOODGRAIN SALE IN OPEN MARKET

3801. DR. KAMBHAMPATI HARIBABU:

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 is selling or proposes to sell foodgrains in open market to check price rise; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the total quantum of foodgrains sold in open market by Food Corporation of India during the last three years and the current year?

A N S W E R MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

- (a): Yes, Madam. The Government, under Open Market Sale Scheme (OMSS), sells foodgrains especially wheat and rice at pre-determined prices in the open market out of its surplus stock in central pool from time to time to enhance the supply of wheat especially during the lean season and thereby to moderate the market prices especially in the deficit regions.
- (b): The details of sale of wheat and rice under OMSS (D) during the last 3 years and the current year are annexed at Annexure.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3801 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 22-12-2015 IN THE LOK SABHA

Statement showing the sale of wheat and rice under OMSS (D) during the last 3 years and the current year are as under:

Wheat

Year	Qty. (Lakh MT)		
2012-13	68.67		
2013-14	61.16		
2014-15	42.37		
2015-16	28.97*		

Rice

Year	Oty.(Lakh MT)			
2012-13	0.99			
2013-14	1.68			
2014-15	Nil allocation			
2015-16	0.49*			

^{*} Till 14th December, 2015
