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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.16 TO BE ANSWERED ON 7TH DECEMBER, 2022

STOCK OF BOILED RICE IN KERALA

16. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

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 raw and boiled rice stock in FCI godowns in Kerala as on date;
- (b) whether it is true that not enough stock of boiled rice is available in FCI godowns in Kerala for PDS distribution, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has reduced the supply of boiled white rice to the State of Kerala for distribution through PDS, if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government intends to make enough stock of boiled rice available for the State of Kerala so as to ensure the supply of raw and boiled rice at 50:50 ratio through PDS; and
- (e) whether the Government has taken any steps for distribution of ragi and white gram under PDS in the State of Kerala, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): The raw and boiled rice stock in FCI godowns in Kerala, as on 29.11.2022 is as under:

Raw Rice	98168 MT
Boiled Rice	93743 MT

- (b) to (d): Enough stock of boiled rice is available in FCI godows as on date for PDS distribution in the state of Kerala.
- (e): Necessary steps have been taken to provide Ragi powder and white gram through FPS in Kerala as pilot project. Government of India is arranging 991 Metric Tonnes ragi from Karnataka and Kerala Government is arranging white gram for distribution under PDS.
