GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1021 ANSWERED ON:24.11.2000 PROCUREMENT OF PADDY PUSP JAIN

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of paddy procured by various Government agencies in each State during the year 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 so far;

(b) the quantity of paddy lying in various godowns procured more than two years back as on 31 October 2000;

(c) the quantity of paddy lying in the open instead of the godowns as on 21 October, 2000; and

(d) the steps being taken to improve the storage system of paddy and to improve the procurement system of foodgrains in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a) A statement showing State-wise procurement of paddy by various agencies during Kharif Marketing Seasons 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 (As on 21.11.2000) is at Annexure - `A`.

(b) As on 31st October, 2000 a quantity 2.32 lakh MTs of paddy procured more than 2 years back is lying in various godowns of Punjab and Haryana.

(c) As on 31st October, 2000, 23.46 lakh MTs. of paddy was lying in open godowns in Punjab and Haryana.

(d) FCI constructs its own godowns at strategic locations depending upon the budgetary allocations made in the Five Year Plans. Storage facilities for the increased procurement are generally met by hiring storage capacity from Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC), State Warehousing Corporation, State Governments and private parties.

ANNEXURE `A`

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1021 FOR ANSWER IN THE LOK § ON 24-11-2000.

STATEMENT SHOWING STATE-WISE PROCUREMENT OF PADDY BY VARIOUS GOVERNMENT AGENCIES DURING 2000 AND 2000-2001 KHARIF MARKETING SEASONS.

(FIGURES IN MTs.)

CENTRAL ACCOUNT PROCUREMENT OF PADDY

1999-2000 2000-2001 (UPTO 21.11.2000)

1. Punjab 82,70,373 86,05,710

- 2. Haryana 3,47,958 13,33,689
- 3. U.P. 61,582 57,228
- 4. Rajasthan 24,439 30,232

5. Chandigarh (U.T.) 17,179 24,547

6. Himachal Pradesh - 636

7 Andhra Pradesh - 1,509

8. Madhya Pradesh 4,66,928 49,756

9. Maharashtra 123 6,072 10. Bihar 1,407 -TOTAL 91,89,989 101,09,379

STATE ACCOUNT

Tamil Nadu 13,72,1251 5,41.200

GRAND TOTAL 105,62,114 106.50,579