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PACKAGE FOR PADDY GROWERS IN HARYANA  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government have released a package for paddy growers in Haryana;
- (b) the extent of aid given for the purpose;
- (c) the criterion fixed for rendering such help and for identifying the beneficiaries; and
- (d) the measures proposed to be taken to ensure that the assistance is not misused and reaches to the needy ones?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
(SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. For increasing the production and productivity of cereal crops

(Rice & Wheat), Integrated Cereals Development Programme has been implemented through which incentives were provided to the farmers. With view to provide more flexibility to state, Macro Management Mode of Agriculture has been introduced from October 2000. So far post-harvest concessions are concerned Ministry of Food has announced the following concessions for Paddy growers in Haryana:

(i) The specifications of paddy has been relaxed in respect of damaged, discoloured, sprouted and weevilled grains upto a maximum limit of 8% instead of 3% provided under the Uniform (FAQ) specifications.

(ii) Paddy conforming to the above specifications will be procured at MSP.

(iii) Out turn ratio for custom milling of such paddy will be 64% for raw and 65% for parboiled rice.

(iv) It will be the responsibility of the State Governments to get the paddy milled and deliver rice strictly conforming to the uniform specifications well within the current Kharif Marketing Season.

(c): The above concessions have been announced on the basis of the report of a Central Team which has visited the affected districts of Haryana, collected samples and got them analysed in the laboratory.

(d): State Government, on receipt of sanction of financial package from Ministry of Finance, Government of India will take suitable safeguard to ensure that the financial assistance reaches to farmers as per Scheme.