

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4976
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CERTIFIED SEEDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have estimated the total requirement of certified seeds of all seeds of various crops for Kharif, 2000;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the total seed requirement is likely to be met by the Government;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) if not, the details of short fall Crop-wise and the plans to meet the demand; and
- (f) the corrective measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. The Certified/quality seed requirement and availability position was assessed by the Government of India with the State Governments/concerned organisations during the Kharif, 2000 Zonal Seed Review Meetings held in February, 2000. The overall availability of certified/quality seeds is to the extent of 49.67 lakh quintals against the estimated seed requirement of 47.10 lakh quintals.

(e) & (f): Do not arise.