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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1655 ANSWERED ON:19.07.2004 PROCUREMENT OF PADDY Gandhi Shri Pradeep;Panda Shri Prabodh

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

- (a) the State where paddy is being procured by Food Corporation of India(FCI);
- (b) the State-wise quantum of paddy procured in the country during the last three years, particularly in West Bengal;
- (c) whether due to non-procurement of paddy from Chhattisgarh, the State Government has suffered huge financial losses;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has received any proposal from the State Government in this regard; and
- (f) by when the decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

- (a) & (b): The State-wise details of paddy and levy rice procured by FCI during the last three Kharif Marketing Season(KMS) is indicated in the Annexure.
- (c): No, Sir.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e) & (f): A proposal for the Food Corporation of India to take up procurement of paddy in the State has been received and the same is under examination.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1655 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 19th JULY, 2004 IN THE LOK SABHA

QUANTITY OF PADDY/LEVY RICE PROCURED BY FCI DURING KHARIF MARKETING SEASON (KMS) 2001-02 TO 2003-04

Total 27.25 100.45 28.03 54.16 20.85 90.64

Neg - Below 500 tonnes.
- Position as on 15/07/2004