

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

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

- (a) the present availability status of foodgrains facing price rise problems in the country recently;
- (b) whether the Government of India has conducted any study in this regard to chalk out the strategy to meet the demand of foodgrains in future;
- (c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the action plan, if any, formulated to deal with foodgrains shortage in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a): A statement showing Production (supply) and projected consumption requirement (demand) wheat, rice and coarsegrain in the country during the last three years is at Annexure-I.
- (b) (c), (d) and (e): Demand and supply position of foodgrains are reviewed by the Government at regular intervals and steps are taken by the Government to increase production of foodgrains. A statement showing steps taken by the Government to increase the production of foodgrains is at Annexure-II.