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PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF FOOD ITEMS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of difference between foodgrain production and consumption during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether there is a wide difference between production and consumption of food items; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken to bridge the gap?

Answer

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

(a): The latest data on per capita consumption of foodgrains available from Consumer Expenditure Surveys of National Sample Survey Organization pertain to the year 2006-07. State-wise details of estimated production of foodgrains for the years 2006-07 to 2009-10 and their consumption based on the Consumer Expenditure Survey for the year 2006-07 are given in the Annexure.

(b) & (c): The estimated production of foodgrains in the country is significantly higher than their consumption. However, in order to further increase production and productivity of foodgrains in the country, the Government is implementing a number of schemes/programmes, namely, National Food Security Mission, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) and the Integrated Cereals Development Programme in Rice Based Cropping Systems Areas (ICDP- Rice), Integrated Cereals Development Programme in Wheat Based Cropping Systems Areas (ICDP-Wheat) and Integrated Cereals Development Programme in Coarse Cereals Based Cropping Systems Areas (ICDP-Coarse Cereals) subsumed under Macro Management Mode of Agriculture, etc.