

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SUBSIDY FOR POWER TILLERS AND PUMP SETS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides subsidy to the farmers for purchasing power tillers and pump sets;
- (b) if so, the quantum of subsidy provided alongwith the increase in price of such implements;
- (c) the details of increase in subsidy and the prices of implements thereof during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;
- (d) whether the quantum of subsidy on power tillers and pump sets differs from State to State;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether some people buy power tillers and pump sets at cheap rates from one State and sell them elsewhere to avail more subsidy; and
- (g) if so, whether the Government proposes to look into the matter and take action in this regard?

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): Ministry of Agriculture provides assistance to the farmers in the form of subsidy for purchase of power tillers and pump sets under the scheme "Macro Management of Agriculture". The assistance is provided through State Governments.
- (b) & (c): At present, the quantum of subsidy provided is 40% and 50% of the cost of purchase for Power Tillers and Pump sets respectively, subject to maximum ceiling as per capacity of the equipment. The details of increase in subsidy in last three years and during current year is shown in Annexure-I. Though the Government does not control the prices of Power Tillers and Pump Sets, keeping in view price variations, the quantum of subsidy and ceiling limit were both revised upwardly with effect from July 2008.
- (d): No, Madam.
- (e): Does not arise.
- (f): Ministry of Agriculture does not maintain any information in this regard.
- (g): Does not arise in view of (f) above.