GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:874 ANSWERED ON:02.03.2010 PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURE INSTRUMENTS Singh Shri Jagada Nand

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides assistance to the farmers to purchase instruments being used in agriculture;

(b) if so, the details thereof for each of the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether funds allocated for the said purpose have been fully utilized by the State Governments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

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 agriculture machinery and equipments under various schemes. The assistance is provided through State Governments.

(b): The details of such schemes and level of assistance given to the farmers through State Governments for each scheme in last three years is shown in Annexure – I.

(c): Utilization of funds released to the States is an ongoing process. In the eventuality of any state not being able to utilize the funds released in a given year, there are provisions for revalidation of the unutilized amount, if proposed by that state in the next year.

(d): The detail of funds released to various States under different schemes for last three years is given in Annexure - II