

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1811
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SUBSIDY ON PREMIUM OF CROPS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide subsidy on premium paid for the crops damaged;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of fund likely to be released in the country including Andhra Pradesh, 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) & (b): Yes, Madam. Presently, subsidy on premium @10% to small and marginal farmers under ongoing National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) and subsidy ranging from 25% to 50% to all farmers under Pilot Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (WBCIS) is provided. Subsidy is shared on 50:50 basis by Central and State Governments.

(c): State-wise funds likely to be released are not indicated because insurance schemes are demand driven and admissible liabilities under NAIS are known after Crop Cutting Experiments at harvesting, while liabilities under WBCIS are known after coverage of farmers/collection of premium by implementing agencies. Government of India has earmarked Rs.950 crore and Rs.100 crore for 2010-11 under NAIS and WBCIS respectively for the country.