

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to restructure the present procurement system of foodgrains;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there is lack of parity amongst various agricultural crops leading to distortion in crop economy; and
- (d) if so, the corrective action taken thereon?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): There is no proposal to restructure the present system of procurement of foodgrains.

(c)&(d): The Commission for Agricultural Cost & Prices (CACP), while formulating its recommendations on price policy considers a number of important factors, including inter-crop price parity.