GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2721 ANSWERED ON:10.08.2010 ALLOCATION OF PESTICIDES Pandey Shri Ravindra Kumar

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has fixed the allocation of pesticides and seeds for kharif crops during the current season;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has set up any cell for monitoring and coordination of investigating agencies constituted by the State Governments to check the black marketing of pesticides; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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): No, Madam. However, State-wise availability of pesticides and seeds for cropping seasons including Kharif season is reviewed regularly.
- (c) & (d): No, Madam. However, State Governments have appointed Insecticides Inspectors who draw pesticides samples for analysis in State Pesticides Testing Laboratories and the Regional Pesticides Testing Laboratories and also check the sale of spurious pesticides.