

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

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

(a) the quantum of wheat, rice, sugarcane and other kharif crops procured from the States especially in backward regions during the last three years; and

(b) the number of farmers benefited therefrom?

**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): The State-wise quantity of wheat, rice and other kharif crops procured by Food Corporation of India and other Government agencies for the Central Pool in the last three years is at Annexure. Sugarcane is not procured by the Government agencies for the Central Pool.

(b): This data is not maintained in the Department, as all farmers are free to sell their produce (wheat & paddy) to FCI/State Agencies at Minimum Support Price and any incentive bonus, declared by the Government.