

**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) the number of procurement centres for foodgrains opened in the country, Statewise;
- (b) the estimated foodgrains procured by various agencies, grain and agency-wise during the current year;
- (c) whether the Government has allowed any relaxation for the procurement of foodgrains from the farmers; 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 & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a): Statement showing number of procurement centers opened by Food Corporation of India and State agencies for procurement of wheat and rice during Rabi Marketing Season 2010-11 and Kharif Marketing Season 2009-10 is at Annexure I and II respectively.
- (b): Statement showing agency-wise procurement of wheat and rice by Food Corporation of India and State agencies during RMS 2010-11 and KMS 2009-10 are at Annexure III and IV respectively.
- (c) and (d): Yes, Madam. For paddy/rice procurement relaxation in specification has been allowed to State of Punjab, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh, Orissa, Tamil Nadu and the U.T. of Chandigarh in Kharif Marketing Season, 2009-10. For procurement of wheat, relaxation has been allowed to Uttar Pradesh during Rabi Marketing Season, 2010-11.