

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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SUBSIDY ON SEEDS  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide seeds at 50% subsidy to the farmers affected from floods and drought; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said proposal is likely to be implemented in each State especially in Andhra Pradesh?

**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): Agriculture input subsidy is admissible to farmers where crop loss was 50% and above in the wake of natural calamities under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF).

(b): It is primarily the responsibility of the State Government concerned to take necessary measures in the wake of natural calamities including drought and flood. Government of India supplements the efforts of the State with financial and logistical support under SDRF and NDRF in accordance with the established procedure of submission of Memorandum for assistance from NDRF by affected State as per approved items and norms of expenditure.