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PRODUCTION OF SOYABEAN
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the production of soyabean in the country during each of the last three years;
- (b) the demand and supply position of soyabean during the said period; and
- (c) the per capita consumption of soyabean in the country as compared to China and other Asian countries during the said period?

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): The production/supply of soyabean in the country during the last three years, i.e., 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 is estimated at 10.97 million tonnes, 9.91 million tonnes and 10.05 million tonnes (4th advance estimates) respectively. The demand of soya bean has not been projected/estimated separately. However, as per Working Group of Planning Commission constituted for the 11th Five Year Plan, total demand of Oilseeds including Soyabean for the years 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 is projected at 45.46 million tonnes, 47.43 million tonnes and 49.35 million tonnes respectively.

(c): Details of per capita quantity of consumption of soyabean during the last three years are not available. However, as per the Consumer Expenditure Surveys of National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) for the year 2007-08 (latest available), the monthly per capita expenditure on consumption of Edible Oilseeds including Soyabean for rural and urban areas at all-India level are estimated at Rs.33.29 and Rs.46.43 respectively.