GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3312 ANSWERED ON:30.11.2010 SHARE OF AGRICULTURE SECTOR IN DOMESTIC PRODUCTION Singh Shri Jagada Nand

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the share of the agriculture sector in the overall domestic production is declining continuously since the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the per capita availability of grains an pulses has also decreased continuously during the said period;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the estimated quantum of annual production of rice, wheat and pulses required to meet the demand of the country, crop-wise?

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): Yes, Madam. The share of agriculture and allied sector to Gross Domestic Product is declining over the last three years including the current year at 2004-05 prices. The share of agriculture and allied sector to GDP during last three years is as under:

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at 2004-05 prices
Year Percentage share of agriculture and allied
sector to Gross Domestic Product
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2007-08 16.4 2008-09 15.7 2009-10 14.6 2010-11(Q1) 14.1

Q1- Quarterly Estimates Source: CSO, MoSPI.

The figure for 2010-11 corresponds to quarter ending June, 2010.

(c) & (d): The per capita net availability of pulses and foodgrains per day in the country is shown in the table below:

(in grams) Year Pulses Food-grains 2007 35.5 442.8

 2007
 35.5
 442.8

 2008
 41.8
 436.0

 2009
 37.0
 444.0

Source: Agriculture at a Glance 2010, DES, Ministry of Agriculture

As per the data above, per capita net availability of pulses and foodgrains per day in the country is fluctuating during the said period.

(e): The demand and production scenario of rice, wheat and pulses during 2007-08 to 2009-10 is at annexure-I.