GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3328 ANSWERED ON:30.11.2010 SUBSIDY TO FARMERS Anuragi Shri Ghansyam ;Virendra Kumar Shri

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to encourage the farmers to produce more foodgrains by giving them subsidies in order to decrease import of foodgrains at higher rate; and

(b) 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 AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Subsidy is provided under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes operated by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation (DAC). National Food Security Mission (NFSM) which specifically addresses the issue of increased foodgrains production has provision for subsidy/assistance on production and distribution of seed, farm machines/ implements, sprinkler irrigation sets, Integrated Nutrient Management, Integrated Pest Management, and training. Similarly, Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm & Maize (ISOPOM) provides subsidy/assistance for planting material, cultivation, drip irrigation, diesel pumpsets, training, etc.