

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

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ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR PROCUREMENT OF FOODGRAINS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government allocates funds to the States for undertaking procurement of foodgrains;
- (b) if so, the details of the funds allocated to the States for procurement of paddy alongwith the quantity of paddy procured therefrom, State-wise; and
- (c) the incentives being provided/proposed to be provided to the States under the said scheme?

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),(b)&(c): Government of India do not allocate any funds to the State Governments for undertaking procurement of foodgrains. Food Corporation of India and State Governments avail Cash Credit from Reserve Bank of India for undertaking procurement of foodgrains under Minimum Support Price Scheme. Some State Governments also provide budgetary support to State Agencies for undertaking procurement operations.