

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4512
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PROCUREMENT OF WHEAT
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides funds to the Food Corporation of India (FCI) for the procurement of wheat at Minimum Support Price;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for not procuring the entire quantum of wheat from farmers on time; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a): Yes, Madam. Food Corporation of India (FCI) is reimbursed subsidy to meet the difference between economic cost of food grains and the Central Issue Price (CIP) of food grains and also the cost incurred for maintaining buffer stocks of food grains.
- (b): There are no reports of denial of procurement of wheat from farmers by FCI.
- (c): Does not arise.