GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3271 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2011 LOSS OF CROPS DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER Shariq Shri Sharief Ud Din

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are reports of loss of various rabi crops due to untimely rains and snowfall during the current season in the State of Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to meet the shortage of food items in the State?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) to (c): Due to untimely rains and snowfall no major losses to the Rabi crops have been reported from the Kashmir Valley and Jammu Division. However, about 60 % of cropped area in Kupwara District constituting 60 hectare of Wheat crop, 600 hectare of Oilseed crop and 500 hectare of fodder crops have suffered.

To compensate these losses, Government is providing food grains through Public distribution system. Details are Annexed.