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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3029 ANSWERED ON:13.12.2011 NATIONAL FOODGRAIN MOVEMENT PLAN Singh Shri Ravneet

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated or proposes to formulate a National Foodgrain Movement Plan to tie up with the Food Security Law;
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme alongwith the mechanism evolved to monitor the entire operation;
- (c) whether there is any policy on inter-state procurement of foodgrains;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any study has been undertaken to explore this possibility as a solution for procurement and storage problem; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): The Department of Food & Public Distribution has proposed to prepare a plan for movement of foodrains in consultation with Food Corporation of India (FCI) and Railways. The FCI and Railways have been asked to furnish relevant inputs for formation of such a Plan. Once these inputs are received, the Department will endeavour to prepare a National Foodgrain Movement Plan.
- (c) & (d): No, Madam.
- (e): No, Madam.
- (f): Does not arise