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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1110
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EXPORT OF FOODGRAIN AND SUGAR
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the production and demand of foodgrain, pulses and sugar in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the said commodities were exported/imported during the said period;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether losses were suffered therein;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto alongwith the manner in which they were recouped; and
- (f) if not, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a): Statewise production and demand of foodgrains, sugar and pulses are at Annexure −I, II, III, IV, V, and VI.
- (b)&(c) Yes Madam. Details of foodgrains, sugar and pulses export and import are at Annexure-VII.

(d)to(f): Export and import of foodgrains, sugar and export of pulses has not been undertaken by Government on commercial basis for the last three years, therefore, question of profit and losses for Government does not arise. Government is undertaking import of pulses under two subsidy schemes. Details of import undertaken and losses are as follows:

I. 15% loss reimbursement scheme

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Year Quantity imported Losses incurred (in lakh tones) (in Rs. Crore)

2009-10 7.56 652.43

2010-11 3.76 Not Applicable

2011-12 NIL# NIL
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scheme discontinued from 2011-12

II. Public distribution System Subsidy Scheme

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Year Quantity imported Losses incurred (in lakh tones) (in Rs. Crore)

2009-10 2.52 Not Applicable##

2010-11 3.43
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Under the scheme a subsidy of Rs.10 per kg on imported pulses is given by the Government and as such there are no losses.
contracted for import in 2011-12.