GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5206 ANSWERED ON:08.05.2012 REQUIREMENT OF PESTICIDES Singh Shri Ganesh

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total requirement of pesticides of various States including Madhya Pradesh during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Union Government has provided pesticides as per the demand of various States including Madhya Pradesh during the said period; and
- (c) if so, the percentage of pesticides provided to these States against their demand during each of the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

- (a): State-wise requirement (demand) of pesticides including that of Madhya Pradesh during last three years and projected demand of the current year is at Annexure-I.
- (b) & (c): State-wise consumption of pesticides including that of Madhya Pradesh is at Annexure II. State Department of Agriculture takes care of the supply of pesticides based on the demand of its farmers. Also, National Conferences on Agriculture for Rabi and Kharif and pre-seasonal Zonal Input Conferences are important forums on which demands of various agricultural inputs including pesticides in different parts of the country are assessed alongwith a focused strategy to fulfill such demands. However, no State Government representative has informed about shortages of pesticides during the Zonal Conferences on Agricultural Inputs for Rabi 2011-12 and for Kharif-2012.