

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:739
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FOODGRAIN SALE BELOW MSP
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers were forced to sell their foodgrain produce including wheat below the Minimum Support Price (MSP) in the grain markets of Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Rajasthan and Haryana during the last rabi season; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a): No Madam. No such reports have been received. During Rabi Marketing Season (RMS) 2012-13, a record quantity of 381.48 lakh tonnes of wheat has been procured from farmers at Minimum Support Price (MSP) compared to 283.85 lakh tonnes of wheat during RMS 2011-12.

(b) : In view of (a) above does not arise.