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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:723 ANSWERED ON:27.11.2012 PROCUREMENT OF FOODGRAINS Kaswan Shri Ram Singh

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

- (a) the production and procurement of various agricultural produce for which the Minimum Support Price (MSP) has been declared by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise indicating the procurement as a percentage of the total production;
- (b) the total expenditure incurred on procurement, State-wise and commodity wise;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the loss suffered by the farmers whose produce was not procured by the Government agencies;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to compensate the losses;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to review the procurement of agricultural produce at MSP; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (f) The State-wise details of production and procurement of rice, wheat and coarse grains for each of the last three years and the current year (for Kharif Marketing Season 2012-13 for rice) are at Annexures I, II and III.

Details of production and procurement of other agriculture produce for which Minimum Support Prices are declared by the Government as well as other details sought are being collected.