GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2925 ANSWERED ON:11.12.2012 AGRICULTURAL SCHEMES Dhruvanarayana Shri R. ;Singh Shri Ganesh

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has implemented various schemes for increasing the production of foodgrains in the country during the last few years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the production target fixed therein, scheme-wise;
- (c) whether these agricultural schemes have proven unsuccessful due to flood and drought in the country;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (e) whether uncertainty of rainfall in the country was not kept in mind while formulating these schemes;
- (f) if so, the remedial steps taken by the Union Government in this regard; and
- (g) the details of the amount of funds allocated and utilised by the Union Government under these schemes during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture has been implementing various crop development schemes like National Food Security Mission (NFSM-Rice, Wheat and Pulses), Integrated Cereal Development Programme (ICDP) for Rice/Wheat/Coarse Cereals/Pulses under Macro Management of Agriculture (MMA) and Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) through State Governments.

List of Production targets fixed for different crops for 2011-12 and 2012-13 is annexed at Annexure-I.

(c) to (f): Resilience of crops to various calamities is attempted to be built through promotion of technologies suitable for different agro-climatic regions under agriculture schemes. Record production of foodgrains despite severe drought for flood affecting some or the other parts of the country is testimony to the success of these schemes.

Department of Agriculture and Cooperation prepared contingency crop plan suitable for different agro-climatic regions of the country and for initiating timely interventions to deal with different scenarios of the monsoon i.e. deficient rainfall, normal rainfall and excess rainfall conditions etc.

(g): The details of funds allocated and utilized under different agriculture scheme is given at Annexure-II A, II-B and II-C.