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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:395 ANSWERED ON:26.02.2013 REQUIREMENT OF WHEAT Mahendrasinh Shri Chauhan

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

(a) whether the Government has assessed the requirement of wheat in the country during the ensuing year;

(b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(c) the extent to which the domestic production/procurement of wheat is adequate to meet this demand?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Based on the existing allocation of wheat under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and Other Welfare Schemes (OWS), the requirement of wheat is likely to be 247.47 lakh tons during the year 2013-14. Keeping in view the production/procurement estimates of wheat and the stock of wheat in the Central Pool as on 1.2.2013, it is adequate for allocation under TPDS and OWS.