

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

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

- (a) the quantum of foodgrains procured directly from farmers during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the prices at which the said procurement has been made;
- (c) the quantity of foodgrains imported during the said period;
- (d) the rates at which each of the said foodgrains have been imported, countrywise; and
- (e) the details at the rules with regard to import of foodgrains from the foreign countries?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a): The quantum of rice and wheat procured during last three years and the current year is as under:-

(Figures in lakh tonnes)

Marketing Year	Rice	Wheat
2006-07	251.07	92.26
2007-08	287.36	111.28
2008-09	333.07	226.89
2009-10	118.70#	253.82

As on 26.11.2009

(b): The Minimum Support Price(MSP) and incentive bonus fixed for procurement of rice and wheat in the last three years and the current year is as under:-

(Figures in Rs. Per quintal)

Marketing Year	Paddy (MSP +Bonus)		Wheat (MSP +Bonus)	
	Common	Gr.A		

2006-07	620			
	650	700		
2007-08	745	775	850	
2008-09	900	930	1000	
2009-10	1000	1030	1080	

(c)&(d): During 2006-07, 53.79 lakh tonnes of wheat was imported at a weighted average price of US \$ 205.34 per tonne i.e. Rs.8, 214 per tonne (approx.). Further, during 2007-08, 18.44 lakh tonnes of wheat was imported at a weighted average price of US \$ 366.83 per tonne i.e. Rs.14, 673 per tonne(approx.).

(e): The import of wheat was done by inviting competitive bids against the global tenders floated by Public Sector Undertakings of Ministry of Commerce.