

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1883

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PROCUREMENT CENTRES

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

- (a) the details of the agencies entrusted with the duty to procure foodgrains from the farmers at Minimum Support Price (MSP);
- (b) the number of procurement centres targeted to be opened alongwith the number of centres actually opened during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) the criteria adopted for opening up of procurement centres;
- (d) the quantity of wheat, paddy and rice procured during the said period alongwith the price thereof;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to open additional procurement centres to meet the requirement for procuring paddy and wheat during the ensuing season; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Bihar?

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): Food Corporation of India and agencies of State Governments procure foodgrains conforming to prescribed specification from the farmers at Minimum Support Price (MSP) and bonus (if any) announced by the Government.
- (b): Statements showing the number of procurement centres opened by FCI and agencies of the State governments during the last three years and the current year are at Annexure I and II.
- (c): FCI and agencies of the State Governments open procurement centres taking into account the production of foodgrains & marketable surplus in a particular area.
- (d): The quantum of rice and wheat procured from the farmers during last three years and the current year is as under:-

(Figures in lakh tonnes)
Marketing Year Rice Wheat

2006-07	51.07	92.26
2007-08	287.36	111.28
2008-09	333.07	226.89
2009-10	118.70#	253.8

As on 26.11.2009

The Minimum Support Price (MSP) and incentive bonus announced by the Government 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

(e)&(f): FCI and State agencies have opened 10097 procurement centres so far for procurement of paddy in KMS 2009-10. In Bihar, FCI and State agencies have opened 85 procurement centres in current KMS for procurement of paddy/rice.