

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1158  
ANSWERED ON:13.08.2013  
PROCUREMENT BY NAFED  
Ganpatrao Shri Jadhav Prataprao

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether NAFED is procuring urad (black gram) from farmers of Maharashtra during the last one year and substantial amount is yet to be paid to them;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the efforts made by the Government for payment of the pending dues of the farmers within a stipulated time?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b): NAFED has reported that it has procured 32490.10 MT of black gram urad valuing Rs.13970.74 lakhs during Kharif 2012 in Maharashtra and has released Rs. 13934.00 lakhs for payment to farmers.
- (c): Government has provided sufficient funds to NAFED to ensure timely payments to the farmers.