GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain States are currently facing severe to moderate drought conditions in the country;

- (b) if so, the details thereof, region-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has deputed Central teams, to assess the situation;

(d) if so, the outcome of their visits; and

(e) the financial assistance demanded by these States and the amount actually released by the Government, so far?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): None of the States have declared drought during current South West Monsoon-2013.

(c) & (d): Inter-Ministerial Central Teams (IMCT) are deputed to assess drought situation and recommend financial assistance only upon formal notification of drought and receipt of memorandum from the States seeking central assistance.

(e): None of the States have demanded financial assistance on account of drought during current kharif season (2013).