

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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IMPACT OF JAIPUR FIRE ON AGRICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the recent fire in the Indian Oil Corporation depot in Jaipur is likely to have any impact on agriculture in the surrounding areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the remedial measures proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a): Based on the prevailing conditions in the area and observation on growth attributes observed during field survey by the Committee, no clear effect of fumes and pollution was observed on the crops, but increased density of carbon mono-oxides, carbon di-oxide, Sulphur di-oxide and oxides of Nitrogen in the atmosphere may have some adverse effect on crops in future, if rain occurs, but it will depend on the intensity and period of raining.
- (b): During field survey, no clear effect of fumes and pollution was observed on the crops.
- (c): The Departmental Officers, field staff and Scientists of the Research Station are constantly monitoring the situation in the Rabi crops.