## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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COVERAGE UNDER CENTRAL AGRICULTURE SCHEME
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## Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some States/districts have not been covered under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana and National Food Security Mission;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the reasons therefor, State-wise;
- (c) the criteria adopted for selection of States/districts for the said schemes;
- (d) whether the Union Government has received requests from the various State Governments including Kerala for inclusion of more districts under the said Schemes;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (f) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

## **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): Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana covers all districts of the country. National Food Security Mission is implemented in select 312 districts of the country.
- (b) & (c): Criteria adopted for identifying districts under NFSM is:

Rice Wheat Pluses
Districts with more than Districts in which irrigation Districts in which a large 50,000 ha. area under rice coverage under wheat is more area under pulses exists and productivity less than than 50% and productivity and there is potential for the state average. is less than the state area expansion through average. intercropping and utilization of rice fallows.

- (d) & (e): Details of States, including Kerala, that have requested for inclusion of additional districts under NFSM is attached as Annexure-I.
- (f): Only districts which meet the criteria as stated above have been considered for inclusion.