GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4120 ANSWERED ON:15.12.2009 UNDER-UTILISATION OF FUNDS Singh Shri Jagada Nand

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether many States have not utilised the funds allocated under various schemes relating to agriculture;

(b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years, scheme-wise and State-wise; and

(c) the extent to which the agricultural production has declined during the said period due to under-utilisation of funds by the States, State-wise?

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) & (b): No, Madam. States have utilized most of the funds allocated under various schemes related to agriculture. A statement indicating the scheme-wise and state-wise details of funds utilized by the States in respect of major schemes of Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is enclosed at annexure-I.

(c): Production of foodgrain has shown an increasing trend since 2006-07 reaching an all time record level of 233.88 MT in 2008-09.