GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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AGRICULTURAL RELIEF PACKAGE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has announced any relief packages for the farmers of various States including Kerala, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the total funds released for the purpose?

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): In the year 2006, Government approved a rehabilitation package for 31 identified districts of Andhra Pradesh (16 districts), Karnataka (6 districts), Kerala (3 districts) and Maharashtra (6 districts) where maximum number of suicides by farmers were reported. This rehabilitation package is currently under implementation.
- (b) & (c): Details are as under:

(Rs. in crore)
State Amount approved under Amount released/utilized
Rehabilitation package upto 30-09-2009

Maharashtra 3873.26 4197.26

Karnataka 2689.64 3264.02

Kerala 765.24 369.57

Andhra Pradesh 9650.55 9122.19

Total 6978.69 16953.04