GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:754 ANSWERED ON:24.11.2009 NEW SCHEMES FOR AGRICULTURE Mahajan Smt. Sumitra

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has started new schemes for the development of agriculture including the National Food Security Mission;
- (b) if so, the salient features thereof and the manner in which it is likely to be implemented, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the States which have not been included in the schemes indicating the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes, Madam. The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation has started two flagship schemes for development of the agriculture sector. (1) Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana to incentivize the States to draw up plans for their agriculture sector more comprehensively. (2) National Food Security Mission to enhance the production of rice, wheat and pulses by 10, 8 and 2 million tones, respectively.
- (b) & (c): Salient features of these schemes, the details of the States not included in the schemes and reasons therefor are given in the statement annexed.