

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1851
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PROCUREMENT OF PADDY FROM FARMERS
Patil Shri Bheemrao Baswanthrao

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government procures paddy from the farmers directly in various States including Telangana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the quantum of paddy procured during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) if not, the time by which such a proposal will be considered to avoid the middlemen?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAOSAHEB PATIL DANVE)

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. Government procures foodgrains including paddy directly from farmers through Food Corporation of India (FCI) and State Government agencies in various states including the state of Telangana. In addition to direct purchase from the farmers, rice is also procured through levy collected from the millers. State-wise details of paddy procured from farmers directly is at Annexure.

(c): In view of (a) and (b) above, does not arise.