

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:105
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MSP FOR RICE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any representation from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh regarding the small rice farmers who do not benefit from the minimum support price for rice;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the manner by which the Government proposes to assist the marginal rice farmers who have very little marketable surplus;
- (d) whether the Government has a proposal to provide any special financial assistance to the rice producing farmers of the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KUNDARIA)

(a) & (b): No, Madam.

(c) to (e): National Food Security Mission (NFSM) provides for at least 33% allocation of fund for small and marginal farmers including rice farmers during XII Five Year Plan.

NFSM Rice is being implemented in 206 districts of 25 States of the country including 5 districts of Andhra Pradesh. Rs.24.15 crore has been released to Andhra Pradesh under NFSM Rice till 18.02.2015.