GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the performance of the National Food Security Mission (NFSM);
- (b) if so, the outcome thereof;
- (c) the details of the targets fixed and the achievements made under the Mission, during the last three years and current year State/UT-wise; and
- (d) whether there is any proposal to continue NFSM in the next five year plan period and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The performance of National Food Security Mission (NFSM) during 11th Five Year Plan has been assessed through an independent agency. The Mission has helped in widening the food basket of the country with sizeable contributions coming from the NFSM districts. The focused and target oriented implementation of mission initiatives has contributed in bumper production of rice, wheat and pulses. The production of wheat has increased from 75.81 million tonnes in pre-NFSM year of 2006-07 to 94.88 million tonnes during 2011-12 i.e. an increase of 19.07 million tonnes against the envisaged target of 8 million tonnes at the end of XI Plan. Similarly, the total production of rice has correspondingly increased from 93.36 million tonnes to 105.30 million tonnes, an increase of 11.94 million tonnes against the target of 10 million tonnes. The total production of pulses has also increased from 14.20 million tonnes to 17.09 million tonnes during the same period, an increase of 2.89 million tonnes against the envisaged target of 2 million tonnes. Thus, 33.90 million tonnes of additional production of total food grains was achieved against the target of 20 million tonnes. The various interventions of the mission have been instrumental in bringing about significant yield gain to the farmers resulting into increase in their income level.
- (c): The details of targets fixed and achievements in production of foodgrains State-wise during the last three years and current year is placed at Annexure-I.
- (d): The Mission has been continued during 12th Five Year Plan with inclusion of coarse cereals crops and commercial crops (sugarcane, jute, cotton). The Mission has a target of additional production of 25 million tonnes of foodgrains comprising 10 million tonnes of rice, 8 million tonnes of wheat, 4 million tonnes of pulses and 3 million tonnes of coarse cereals by the end of 12th Five Year Plan.