GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:696 ANSWERED ON:15.07.2014 SEED PRODUCTION Nimmala Shri Kristappa

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of seeds produced by various States in the country including Andhra Pradesh, crop and State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the country is self sufficient in the production of quality seeds and is able to fully cater to the demand of domestic market; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government to increase the production of quality seeds in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) to (c): As reported by the States, the availability of certified/quality seeds in the country for Kharif-2014 is 149.31 lakh quintals against the requirement of 145.51 lakh quintals. Crop-wise and State-wise details are at Annexure-I and Annexure-II. Government of India is assisting the State Governments and seed producing agencies for seed related activities under various ongoing programmes/schemes of the Department including National Food Security Mission(NFSM), National Mission on Oilseeds and oil palm(NMOOP), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana(RKVY), National Mission on Agriculture Extension and Technology (Sub mission on seeds and planting material) etc.