GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1522 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12th FEBRUARY, 2019

ADDITIONAL FOODGRAINS TO CALAMITY AFFECTED STATES

1522. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI PATIL: SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the norms laid down to provide additional foodgrains to States hit by natural calamities;

(b) whether the Government has received requests, seeking additional allocation of foodgrains, from States to distribute it among families affected by floods in various States, if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of foodgrain provided to the States;

(c) whether foodgrains have been provided free of cost as central assistance; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (d): As per extant norms, in case of natural calamities, the allocation of foodgrains for 3 months of demand can be made to the States/UTs on the basis of the request received so that the relief measures are not affected. However, for the demands beyond 3 months the proposal must be recommended by Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (in case of drought) and Ministry of Home Affairs (in case of natural calamities other than drought & law and order situations). The allocation of foodgrains is made at MSP/ MSP derived rates for wheat and rice respectively. Responsibility for distribution of foodgrains lies with the State Governments/Union Territories concerned.

The details of allocation of foodgrains made due to natural calamities in States/UTs during the past three years is at annexure.

<u>ANNEXURE</u>

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1522 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 12^{TH} FEBRUARY, 2019 IN THE LOK SABHA

Additional allocation of foodgrains (in tons) made by GOI for natural calamity during last three years:

States	Rice	Wheat	Total
Andhra	102312	0	102312
Pradesh			
Bihar	20000	0	20000
Chhattisgarh	82000	0	82000
Gujarat	8000	48000	56000
Jharkhand	192946	0	192946
Karnataka	2577	2556	5133
Madhya	22000	66000	88000
Pradesh			
Telangana	250292	0	250292
Rajasthan	0	1138200	1138200
Uttar Pradesh	288166	471014	759180

2016-17

2017-18

States	Rice	Wheat	Total
Assam	10000	0	10000
Bihar	27523	0	27523
Gujarat	53	123	176
Kerala	3555	0	3555
Madhya	2000	6000	8000
Pradesh			
Manipur	14000	6000	20000
Nagaland	2571	0	2571

2018-19

States	Rice	Wheat	Total
Assam	15000	0	15000
Kerala	89540	0	89540
Maharashtra	100	50	150
	29235	50826	80061
Manipur	2000	0	2000