

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
26.	Uttar Pradesh	16512	17356	18095	18861	19537
27.	Uttarakhand	1195	1206	1213	1221	1230
28.	West Bengal	3790	3891	3982	4087	4176
29.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	24	20	23	24	26
30.	Chandigarh	43	46	46	47	47
31.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	4	5	5	5	4
32.	Daman and Diu	1	1	1	1	1
33.	Delhi	303	310	289	282	285
34.	Lakshadweep	1	2	2	2	2
35.	Puducherry	41	43	45	46	46
ALL INDIA:		92484	97066	100869	104840	108465

Source : State/UT Animal Husbandry Departments

Selling of commodities at higher prices

4633. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that retail outlets of National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation are selling commodities at a higher price than market rates; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) and (b) It has been reported by NAFED that they are selling almost all the essential commodities at much lower rates than the market price. However, depending upon the market forces, the quality of produce and the individual business decision of the sellers, there will be fluctuations in the price of certain commodities from time-to-time.

Damage to agriculture sector due to cyclone Nisha

4634. SHRI N. BALAGANGA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the damage caused to agriculture sector by cyclone Nisha in Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether Central Government has been approached by the State Government for financial assistance under Crop Insurance Scheme; and