(c) Remaining amount of Rs. 10,383.23 crore will be requested for allocation for annual plan 2011-12.

## Subsidy extended to farmers in NE States

2113. SHRI KHEKIHO ZHIMOMI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether subsidy has been extended to farmers on electricity Bill & diesel in North Eastern States;
- (b) if so, the details of total amount of subsidy given during the last three years, State-wise; and
  - (c) the total number of farmers being benefited by the subsidy in North-East?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Power have informed that as per the Power Finance Corporation (PFC)'s "Report on Performance of State Power Utilities", performance of State power utilities for the years 2006-07 to 2008-09 has been finalized and the data for 2009-10 is not available with PFC.

Based on information supplied by the Ministry of Power, details of subsidy booked by utilities selling directly to the consumers and released by the State Governments, in respect of North-Eastern (NE) States, are give in Statement (See below).

Further, a scheme of Diesel Subsidy was implemented during Kharif 2009 in the drought/deficit rainfall affected States for the period 15.7.2009 to 30 9.2009, to provide supplementary irrigation to save the standing crops. Under the scheme, the concerned States were required to provide total amount of subsidy to the farmers and subsequently claim reimbursement of Government of India's share. No claims for reimbursement of Government of India's share under the scheme were received from any of the NE States.

Distribution of relief / assistance at the ground level is the responsibility of the State Governments concerned and the details of number of farmers benefited by the scheme have not been reported by any of the NE States. There is, at present, no proposal to implement similar Diesel Subsidy scheme during Kharif 2010.

Statement
Subsidy booked and released by State Governments regarding NE States

(Rs.in crores)

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State	Utility	2006-07		2007-08		2008-09	
		Subsidy	Subsidy	Subsidy	Subsidy	Subsidy	Subsidy
		Booked	Received	Booked	Received	Booked	Received
Arunachal Pradesh*	Arunachal PD	0	0	0	0	0	0
	CAEDCL	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assam	LAEDCL	0	0	0	0	0	0
	UAEDCL	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assam		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total							
Manipur*	Manipur PD	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meghalaya"	MeSEB	24	24	33	33	12	12
Mizoram*	Mizoram PD	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nagaland*	Nagaland PD	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tripura*	TSECL	45	45	50	50	14	14
Total		69	69	83	83	26	26

Note: \* Information as obtained from Resource Plan submitted to Planning Commission.

<sup>&</sup>quot; Information as obtained from Annual Accounts.