

1	2	3
23.	Sikkim	—
24.	Tamil Nadu	170
25.	Tripura	4
26.	Uttar Pradesh	385
27.	Uttarakhand	8
28.	West Bengal	—
29.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	—
30.	Chandigarh	—
31.	Delhi	5
32.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	—
33.	Daman and Diu	—
34.	Lakshadweep	—
35.	Pondicherry	3.21
TOTAL:		3,828.21

Suicide by farmers

634. SHRI SHYAMAL CHAKRABORTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases of farmers' suicide, State-wise and year-wise from 2006;
- (b) the number and details of farmers who committed suicide during the period due to indebtedness, State-wise and year-wise; and
- (c) the details of action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) and (b) Number of suicides by farmers due to agrarian reasons including indebtedness in various States from 2006, as reported by the respective State Governments, is given in the Statement (*See below*).

(c) In order to revitalize agriculture and improve the condition of farmers on a sustainable basis, measures taken by the Government, *inter-alia*, include significant increase in public investment in agriculture sector through various schemes such as Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana, National Food Security Mission, National Horticulture Mission, Watershed Management and Soil Health and Fertility etc.

The Minimum Support Prices of major cereals have been increased substantially during the last 5 years for benefit of farmers.

Government of India is implementing a Rehabilitation Package, which was announced in 2006 initially for 3 years, covering 31 districts in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala and Maharashtra to address the problem of agrarian distress. An amount of Rs. 19880.11 crore has been released under this package till 31st March, 2011. The period for implementation of the non-credit components of the package has been extended by 2 more years *i.e.* upto 30th September, 2011.

The Government has also implemented the Agricultural Debt Waiver and Debt Relief Scheme, 2008 benefiting about 3.69 crore farmers in the country involving estimated amount of Rs. 65318.33 crore, as per provisional figures.

The interest subvention for timely repayment of crop loans upto Rs. 3 lakh has been enhanced from 2011-12, resulting in further lowering of the effective rate of interest for those farmers who repay their crop loan on time to 4% per annum.

Statement

*Suicide by farmers due to agrarian reason from 2006
as reported by State Government*

Sl. No.	Name of State	Period (Date of report)	No. of suicides by farmers due to agrarian reason as reported by State Government
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2006	530
		2007	507
		2008	469
		2009	296
		2010	152
		2011	42
2.	Karnataka	2006-07	176
		2007-08	182
		2008-09	156
		2009-10	138
		2010-11	77

1	2	3	4
3.	Maharashtra	2006	1028
		2007	590
		2008	627
		2009	503
		2010	234
4.	Kerala	2006	112
		2007	68
		2008	22
		2009	03
		2010	Nil
5	Tamil Nadu	2006	01
		2007	01
		2008	Nil
		2009	Nil
		2010	Nil
6.	Punjab	2006	19
		2007	24
		2008	12
		2009	15
		2010	04
7.	Gujarat	29.06.2011	Nil
8.	Assam	23.05.2011	Nil
9.	Arunachal Pradesh	23.02.2011	Nil
10.	Bihar	06.06.2011	Nil
11.	Chhattisgarh	06.01.2011	Nil
12.	Goa	29.07.2011	Nil
13.	Haryana	16.05.2011	Nil

1	2	3	4
14.	Himachal Pradesh	01.08.2011	Nil
15.	Jammu and Kashmir	24.12.2010	Nil
16.	Jharkhand	18.06.2010	Nil
17.	Manipur	02.12.2010	Nil
18.	Meghalaya	03.03.2011	Nil
19.	Madhya Pradesh	18.01.2011	Nil
20.	Mizoram	07.10.2010	Nil
21.	Nagaland	24.06.2011	Nil
22.	Orissa	26.03.2011	Nil
23.	Rajasthan	23.11.2010	Nil
24.	Sikkim	16.10.2010	Nil
25.	Tripura	01.03.2011	Nil
26.	Uttar Pradesh	24.01.2011	Nil
27.	Uttarakhand	19.07.2011	Nil
28.	West Bengal	13.12.2010	Nil
29.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	01.08.2011	Nil
30.	Government of NCT of Delhi	25.02.2011	Nil
31.	Daman and Diu	02.05.2011	Nil
32.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	05.05.2011	Nil
33.	Lakshadweep	17.03.2011	Nil
34.	Puducherry	01.08.2011	Nil
35.	Chandigarh	12.07.2011	Nil

Production and demand of pulses and oilseeds

635. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether domestic production of pulses was short by about 25 per cent and of oilseeds by about 50 per cent compared to domestic demand last year;