- (b) whether Government is aware that big companies engaged in selling of milk, such as Mother Dairy, DMS and Parag etc., are buying milk from small milkmen and cooperatives at a very low price and selling it to consumers at very high prices;
- (c) if so, whether Government proposes to take concrete steps to keep a check on prices of milk by big companies; and

(d) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHARAN DAS MAHANT): (a) and (b) Press and media have reported about protests by some farmers claiming huge gap between purchase and sale of milk.

Present procurement price (paid to farmers at village level) and consumer price of milk by Mother Dairy, Delhi; Delhi Milk Scheme and Pradeshik Co-operative Dairy Federation (Parag) is given below:

| Organization | Procurement | Sale Price | |
|---|---------------|------------|--|
| | Price (Rs/Kg) | (Rs/litre) | |
| Mother Dairy, Delhi | 28.75 | 37.00 | |
| Delhi Milk Scheme | 28.68 | 37.00 | |
| Pradeshik Co-operative Dairy Federation (Parag) | 26.00* | 37.00 | |

Note:- Procurement & Sale price of milk containing 6% Fat & 9% solid not fat (SNF).

The difference in the procurement and sale price of milk is on account of expenses including transport, other handling and logistics expenses.

- (c) No Sir.
- (d) Does not arise in view of reply to (c) above.

Annual growth in production

†3885. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

^{*} Procurement price for milk containing 6.5% fat and 9 % SNF

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

- whether it is a fact that during Eleventh Five Year Plan the rate of annual growth target for agricultural production was fixed at 4 per cent;
 - (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- whether this target has been achieved as per production in various States; and
- if so, the names of States where annual growth target of 4 per cent has been achieved in the domain of agricultural production during Eleventh Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) and (b) As per the Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-2012) document, the target fixed for agricultural Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth rate is 4 per cent per year on the average during the said Plan period.

(c) and (d) As per the latest data available with Central Statistics Office (CSO), the details of annual growth rates achieved by States during the Eleventh plan period and the States which have achieved 4 per cent or more growth are given in Statement.

Statement State-wise Annual growth rate of Gross Domestic Product of Agriculture and Allied Sectors at 2004-05 prices (per cent)

| Sl. No. | Name of the State/UT | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | average growth rate |
|------------|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | | (2007-08 to 2011-12) |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 17.4 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 9.0 | -1.5 | 5.4 |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 12.2 | -6.9 | 2.4 | 14.4 | 5.8 | 5.6 |
| 3 | Assam | 2.8 | 1.9 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 4.8 |
| 4 | Bihar | -6.2 | 10.7 | -8.1 | 6.3 | 3.2 | 1.2 |

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|----|--------------------|------|----------|--------|------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 5 | Jharkhand | 5.6 | 16.6 | 1.8 | 7.7 | 8.0 | 7.9 |
| 6 | Goa | 1.5 | -7.3 | 3.3 | 1.8 | 5.9 | 1.0 |
| 7 | Gujarat | 8.7 | -7.2 | 0.5 | 14.4 | N.A. | 4.1 |
| 8 | Haryana | 0.0 | 7.3 | -1.3 | 6.1 | 5.1 | 3.4 |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | 9.0 | -0.9 | -8.1 | 16.6 | -11.2 | 1.1 |
| 10 | Jammu & Kashmir | 0.6 | 3.8 | -5.4 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 0.7 |
| 11 | Karnataka | 12.4 | 2.3 | 3.6 | 13.3 | -2.9 | 5.7 |
| 12 | Kerala | -1.2 | 2.0 | -0.6 | -0.2 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| 13 | Madhya Pradesh | -1.5 | 10.2 | 10.0 | 3.0 | N.A. | 5.4 |
| 14 | Chhattisgarh | 9.3 | -9.9 | 7.8 | 19.8 | 6.7 | 6.7 |
| 15 | Maharashtra | 13.2 | -13.3 | 14.1 | 12.5 | N.A. | 6.6 |
| 16 | Manipur | 10.0 | 9.4 | 10.0 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 8.3 |
| 17 | Meghalaya | -0.9 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 3.3 |
| 18 | Mizoram | 14.1 | 12.2 | 8.7 | 2.8 | N.A. | 9.4 |
| 19 | Nagaland | 0.6 | 7.5 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.9 |
| 20 | Orissa | 4.7 | 1.9 | 8.0 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 3.4 |
| 21 | Punjab | 3.8 | 2.0 | -0.2 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| 22 | Rajasthan | 1.6 | 4.2 | -2.3 | 27.2 | N.A. | 7.7 |
| 23 | Sikkim | 3.9 | 4.3 | 6.3 | 4.8 | N.A. | 4.8 |
| 24 | Tamil Nadu | -4.4 | -2.3 | 2.4 | 7.0 | 2.7 | 1.1 |
| 25 | Tripura | 17.2 | 5.7 | 2.9 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 5.8 |
| 26 | Uttar Pradesh | 3.5 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 3.0 |
| 27 | Uttarakhand | 2.1 | -3.7 | 8.3 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.5 |

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Chandigarh

Puducherry

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NA: Not Available.

Delhi

Note: Annual and average growth rates of GDP of Agriculture & Allied Sectors at 2004-05 prices derived based on CSO data on State-wise Agriculture & Allied Sectors GDP

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Decling in productivity of Bt. Cotton

†3886. SHRI RAMCHANDRA PRASAD SINGH: SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that production of Bt. Cotton is estimated to be low;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that productivity of Bt. Cotton is also decreasing;
 - (d) if so, its productivity in year 2007 and 2011 respectively; and
 - (e) the price of seeds of Bt. Cotton in above-mentioned period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The area under cotton cultivation as well as total cotton production in the country has been showing an increasing trend for the past few years. The percentage share of Bt. cotton in the overall area coverage is on the rise and since the total production of cotton is also showing an increasing trend, the production of Bt. cotton cannot be estimated to be low. The table below shows the figures of increasing trend of area, production and percentage share of Bt. cotton: