Commodity	Variety	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Rabi Crops					
Wheat		1080	1100	1120&	1285
Barley		680	750	780	980
Gram		1730	1760	2100	2800
Masurasur (lentil)		1870	1870	2250	2800
Rapeseed/Mustard		1830	1830	1850	2500
Safflower		1650	1680	1800	2500
Toria		1735	1735	1780	2425
Other Crops					
Copra	Milling	3660	4450	4450	4525
(Calender Year)	Ball	3910	4700	4700	4775
Jute		1250	1375	1575	1675
Sugarcane		81.18	129.84¤	139.12¤	145.00¤*

$ An additional incentive bonus of Rs. 50 per quintal was payable over the Minimum Support Price(MSP).

[a] Staple length (mm) of 24.5- 25.5 and Micronaire value of 4.3- 5.1

[aa] Staple length (mm) of 29.5 - 30.5 and Micronaire value of 3.5 - 4.3

& An additional incentive bonus of Rs. 50 per quintal is payable over the Minimum Support Price (MSP)

¤ Fair and remunerative price.

* At 9.5 percent recovery, subject to a premium of Rs.1.53 for every 0.1 percent Increase in the recovery above 9.5 percent.

¶ Additional incentive at the rate of Rs. 500 per quintal of tur, urad and moong sold to procurement agencies is payable during the harvest/arrival period of two months.

Proposals for financial assistance from WB and ADB

2511. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposals from the State of Assam for financial assistance and loan for Agriculture sector is pending with World Bank (WB) and Asian Development Bank (ADB) etc., for last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, proposal-wise and the time by which these are likely to be cleared; and

(c) the details of financial assistance from foreign agencies like WB, ADB and others received for agriculture sector by State Governments in the country including year-wise total outlay, amount utilized and achievements made, State-wise for last three years, and current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) and (b) No proposal for the State of Assam is pending for assistance from World Bank (WB) and Asian Development Bank (ADB) in agriculture sector.

A proposal from Government of Assam for Additional Financing (AF) for the ongoing Assam Agricultural Competitiveness Project (AACP) was posed to the World Bank on 15th September 2011. The World Bank has approved the Additional Financing of US$ 50 Million for the AACP on 8th March 2012, for which the legal document was signed on 13.4.2012. The AF is yet to be declared effective.

(c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Misuse of subsidized fertilizers

2512. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether consumption of fertilizers has increased by 46 per cent from 2003-04 to 2008-09 but the agricultural production has increased by just 16 per cent over the same period;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the pattern of fertilizer consumption across different States is highly skewed and if so, the details/reasons therefor;

(d) whether subsidized fertilizers are used for non-agricultural purposes and are also smuggled to border districts of Eastern/North-Eastern States; and

(e) the measures taken to check misuse of subsidized fertilizer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Fertilizer production and productivity of crop is also attributed to other factors namely, quantity and distribution of rainfall, quality of seeds, weather climate situation, pest management etc. As such increase in consumption of fertilizers is not directly proportional to increase in agricultural production. Fertilizer consumption across different states is skewed due to diversity in the cropping pattern, areas under irrigation, difficult terrain and affordability of small and marginal farmers.

(d) There are reports of smuggling of fertilizers from India to neighbouring countries. However, these have not been confirmed by any State Government.

(e) Under clause 25 of FCO, 1985, it is mandatory to sell or use fertilizer for the purpose of fertilization of soil. The State Governments have been advised to keep vigil and to check smuggling of fertilizers from India to other neighbouring