

under Department of Commerce, which have been given the task to undertake wheat exports on behalf of FCI, have floated global tenders in July 2012 and it is expected to result in higher price (around \$295-\$302 per tonne) because of prevailing high prices in the international market.

(b) and (c) The present revised economic cost of wheat for Rabi Marketing Season for 2012-13 is Rs. 19,100/- per tonne (approx \$347 per tonne). This represents the procurement, carrying and holding costs already incurred by FCI for its wheat stocks. A substantial part of these sunk costs will be recovered through the exports proceeds that will be actually realized at the present prevailing prices. Moreover, with acute pressure on storage capacity, exports will also avert the substantial loss that could be caused due to damage and deterioration of the wheat stocks if these are not lifted in a timely manner. Storage space has also to be vacated for the forthcoming kharif paddy crop.

Government made export of wheat from privately held stocks freely exportable w.e.f. 9.9.2011. About 14.29 lakh MT has been exported on this account as on 27.7.2012.

Outdated technology in Tatra trucks

*9. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry and CBI team found the technology in Tatra trucks outdated;

(b) whether it is also a fact that indigenization targets of Tatra trucks agreed upon in the documents signed in 1987, 1997 and 2003 have not been met; and

(c) if so, what appropriate action Government is contemplating against the officials who are responsible for this mismanagement and loss to Government?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (c) The matter is under investigation by CBI.

Contribution of informal manufacturing sector

†*10. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that manufacturing in the informal sector contributes 15 per cent in total manufacturing production in the country;

(b) if so, the assessment of Government in this regard;

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