Written Answers to

SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Sir, in Assam....(Interruptions)...

श्री नरेश अग्रवाल : चेयरमैन सर, मंहगाई का मुद्दा पूरे देश से जुड़ा हुआ है। ...(व्यवधान)

श्री सभापति : नहीं-नहीं, आप वैल में मत आइए। ...(व्यवधान)... आप वैल में मत आइए। ...(व्यवधान) No posters, please. No posters, please....(Interruptions)... This is against the rules. ...(Interruptions)... No posters, please ...(Interruptions)... बैट जाइए ...(व्यवधान)... बैठ जाइए ...(व्यवधान)...

श्री शिवानन्द तिवारी (बिहार) : यह बिल मंडे को टेकअप होने वाला था, आज कैसे हो गया? ...(व्यवधान)...

श्री सभापति : शिवानन्द जी, आप बैठ जाइए। ...(व्यवधान)... आप बैठ जाइए, प्लीज़ ...(व्यवधान)... आप बैठ जाइए। ...(व्यवधान)... आप बैठ जाइए, प्लीज़ ...(व्यवधान)... No posters, please. ...(Interruptions)... आप बैठ जाइए। ...(व्यवधान)... I can't hear anything. ...(Interruptions)... अगर सब लोग एक साथ बोलेंगे तो कैसे काम चलेगा? आप डिस्कशन कीजिए न ...(व्यवधान)... I can't hear anything. ...(Interruptions)...

The House is adjourned till 1200 hours.

The House then adjourned at five minutes past eleven of the clock.

The House reassembled at twelve of the clock,

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Availability of foodgrains on subsidized rate

- *121. SHRI BASAWARAJ PATIL: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:
- the total quantity of foodgrains given on subsidized rate and under which heads;
 - the total amount spent thereon during the last three years; (b)
- the losses incurred and transportation expenditure thereon during the last three years, and

(d) the extra burden of subsidy after implementation of the National Food Security Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) During the Financial Year 2013-2014, actual quantity of foodgrains allocated under TPDS and other welfare schemes at subsidized rate is 559.71 lakh tonnes (307.12 lakh tonnes of Rice and 252.59 lakh tonnes of Wheat). In addition to this, a total quantity of 5 lakh tonnes of Rice and 100 lakh tonnes of Wheat has been allotted for sale to bulk consumers/retain consumers/private traders under Open Market Sale Scheme (OMSS).

(b) Total amount of food subsidy released to Food Corporation of India (FCI) and States which has adopted Decentralised Procurement Scheme (DCP) in the last three years (including the current financial year) are as under:

(Rs. in Crores)

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Year	FCI	DCP	Total	
2010-11	50729.5600	12200.0000	62929.5600	
2011-12	59525.9000	12845.0000	72370.9000	
2012-12	71980.000	12574.000	84554.000	
2013-14*	63500.0000	9667.1280	73167.1280	

^{* (}As on 11.12.2013)

(c) The details of Transportation expenditure, Storage, and Transit losses in respect of FCI for the last three years are as under:-

(Rs. in Crores)

Year	Transportation Expenditure (in terms of money)	Storage Loss (in terms of money)	Transit Loss (in terms of money)	
2010-11	4371.72	324.45	288.98	
2011-12	4909.80	405.36	333.01	
2012-13	7071.87	457.14	388.22	

(d) Additional annual food subsidy implication after implementation of National Food Security Act (NFSA) as per current economic cost is estimated to be Rs. 26,780.60 crore, based on the difference between existing allocation under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and Other Welfare Scheme (OWS) and estimated allocation under NFSA.

Production of foodgrains

- *122. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has taken any steps to increase the production of foodgrains in the country, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the details of the projects, targets and achievements made in this regard during the last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) and (b) Government of India has been implementing various crop development schemes/programmes such as National Food Security Mission (NFSM) and Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) for increasing foodgrains production in the country. In addition, Government has also taken steps for assured/timely supply of credit and critical inputs such as seeds and fertilizers, dissemination of appropriate technologies and improved agronomic practices, and fixation of Minimum Support Prices (MSPs). Accordingly, foodgrains production has increased from 218.11 million tonnes during 2009-2010 to 255.36 million tonnes in 2012-2013 (as per 4th Advance Estimates). The foodgrins production targets and achievements for major states during last three years are given below:

(In Million Tonnes)

State	2010-11		2011-12		2012-13	
	Target	Achieve-	Target	Achieve-	Target	Achieve-
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Andhra Pradesh	20.39	20.32	19.66	18.36	18.06	17.93
Assam	4.01	4.88	4.23	4.66	4.44	4.76