

Further, Government is also working with international fora for promoting the evolution of better international internet governance-norms, through ongoing discussions. In this direction, India is actively involved in the deliberations of United Nations Group of Governmental Experts (UNGGE) on developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security. UNGGE is focusing on various issues including building cooperation for a peaceful, secure, resilient & international security and norms, rules and principles of responsible behavior by States.

Availability of foodgrains

1900. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:

DR. K . V .P. RAMACHANDRA RAO:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether procurement of foodgrains during 2014-15 is expected to be low owing to low production;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken to overcome the shortage of foodgrains, crop and State/UT-wise; and
- (d) whether adequate foodgrains stock is available to meet the contingency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAOSAHEB DADARAO DANVE):
(a) and (b) It is too early to have an assessment of procurement in 2014-15.

(c) There are adequate foodgrain stocks available in Central pool to meet the domestic requirement.

(d) As on 01.07.2014, 212.36 lakh tonnes of rice (including unmilled paddy equivalent to 76.2 lakh tonnes of rice) and 398.01 lakh tonnes of wheat was available in the central pool. Adding the expected procurement of rice in KMS 2014-15, there would be substantially higher level of stocks available in Central Pool with Food Corporation of India (FCI) to fully meet the requirement of foodgrains in 2014-15.

Clearance to arrears to cane growers

1901. SHRI M.P. ACHUTHAN:

SHRI D. RAJA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state: