

Year	Allocation made (in MTs)		Beneficiaries	
	Wheat	Rice	Target	Achievements
2011-12	938.28	7382.82	809973	618975
2012-13	0.00	14944.84	699175	620553
2013-14	0.00	14384.00	620095	655666
2014-15	0.00	15433.52	633836 (upto quarter-1 of 2014-15, prior to the formation of new State Telangana) 360365 (after quarter-1 of 2014-15, with the new State Telangana coming into the existence)	644407 (upto quarter-1 of 2014-15, prior to the formation of new State Telangana) Not Reported

Pepper spray for self defence

2546. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state whether Government is planning to formulate any scheme for the provision of pepper spray free of cost to women to enable them to ensure their personal safety for self-defence, if so, details thereof, if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI): As informed by Ministry of Home Affairs, there is no such scheme under formulation.

Economic empowerment of rural women

2547. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Government scheme is being run for economic empowerment of poor women in rural areas of the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether these schemes have given positive result during the last years?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir. For economic empowerment of poor women across the country including the rural areas, Ministry of Women