

**Purchase and distribution of foodgrains**

1422. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the foodgrain production during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 in the country;
- (b) how much grains did Government purchase for stocking and distribution during these years;
- (c) the amount paid to farmers as price of these foodgrains during these years; and
- (d) the quantity of foodgrains distributed to people during these years as part of food security?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY): (a) and (b)) The production and procurement of rice, wheat and coarse cereals during marketing year 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 is enclosed as Statement-I (*See* below).

(c) The amount paid to farmers as Minimum Support Price (MSP) for wheat, paddy and coarse grain during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 is given as Statement-II (*See* below).

(d) Government of India (GoI) supplies rice and wheat under various schemes to the States/UTs. The responsibility of distributing the same to the identified beneficiaries rests with the respective State/UT Government.

The lifting of foodgrains under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS)/National Food Security Act (NFSA)/Other Welfare Scheme (OWS) during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 is as under:

(Figs. in lakh MTs)

Year	Wheat	Rice
2013-14	220.74	294.15
2014-15	229.24	355.74
2015-16	245.30	320.46

**Statement-I**

*Details of the production and procurement of rice and coarse grain during Kharif Marketing Season (KMS) 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16*

(figures in Lakh Metric Ton (LMT))

Year	KMS 2013-14		KMS 2014-15		KMS 2015-16	
	Production	Procurement	Production	Procurement	Production*	Procurement**
Paddy (in terms of rice)	1066.45	318.45	1054.80	320.40	1036.10	341.35
Jowar	52.8	Neg	55.4	0.14	54.5	0.29
Bajra	87.4	0.00	92.5	0	91.8	0.05
Maize	222.6	12.16	242.6	3.15	241.7	0.23
Ragi	15.7	0.15	19.8	1.36	20.6	2.04
Small Millets	4.4	0.00	4.3	0.00	3.9	0.00
Barley	17.5	0.00	18.3	0.00	16.1	0.00

The production and procurement of wheat during Rabi Marketing Season (RMS) 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16

Year	RMS 2013-14		RMS 2014-15		RMS 2015-16	
	Production	Procurement	Production	Procurement	Production*	Procurement**
Wheat	935.01	250.92	958.49	280.23	865.26	280.88

\* As reported by Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare as per final Advance Estimates of 2015-16 (marketing year) dated 09.05.2016

\*\* As on 26.07.2016

**Statement-II**

*Details of the MSP of paddy, wheat and coarse grain for last three years*

(₹ Per Quintal)

Year	Rabi Crop		Kharif Crop						
	Wheat	Paddy		Jowar (Malandi)	Jowar (Hybrid)	Bajra	Ragi	Maize	Barley
		Common	Grade 'A'						
2013-14	1350	1310	1345	1520	1500	1250	1500	1310	980
2014-15	1400	1360	1400	1550	1530	1250	1550	1310	1100
2015-16	1450	1410	1450	1590	1570	1275	1650	1325	1150