

Regarding Need for tax exemption on packaged rice and rice bran in Tamil Nadu-laid

SHRI K. E. PRAKASH (ERODE): Our Tamil Nadu Government is performing very well in the government cooperative sector in Tamil Nadu. But the Union Government is imposing a 5% GST on rice cakes packed in 1kg to 25kg packages, burdening the poor. Similarly, the Union Government has imposed a 5% GST on rice bran, which is the food for Tamil Nadu cows. About 64% of the GST tax collection comes from the common people; 33% from the middle class and only three% from the super rich.

On behalf of the Tamil Nadu Government, I request the Ministry of Finance to explain the 5% tax imposed by the Union Government on the people, which is a huge burden.

I would like to once again urge the Union Government to explain the 5% GST imposed on the common man on packaged rice and bran used for cow feed.