Regarding shortage of DAP and Urea

DR. K. SUDHAKAR (CHIKKBALLAPUR): Hon?ble chairperson, thank you for allowing me to speak during the zero hour. Kharif season in monsoon is a very decisive period in Indian agriculture. Important crops like Paddy, jowar, groundnut, soya bean and pulses are grown by our farmers during this period. Even amidst the global conflicts,

Our central government under the leadership of hon?ble Prime Minister shri Narendra Modiji, has provided 8 lakh 13 thousand tonnes of Urea to Karnataka state. Unfortunately, Karnataka government, which is lost in rampant corruption and weakened in bad governance, has failed to distribute the stock of Urea DAP fertilisers for the farmers and by doing so, it has done injustice to them. Therefore, hon?ble chairperson, I am hereby appealing to the central government to set right the issue.

Today, the situation in Karnataka is such that, the subsidised Urea which should be made available for Rs. 258 is sold in the black market for Rs. 500 to the farmers. Similarly DAP (Diammonium Phosphate) which should be made available for Rs. 1200 is sold at Rs. 2000 per bag. We, BJP MPs of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha from Karnataka, under the leadership of the hon?ble Union Minister Shri Prahlad Joshi, met and apprised the concerned minister about the issue and urged him to issue an advisory to the chief secretary about the proper distribution of Urea and DAP that are available in the stock and black market. Thank you.

12.16 hrs

At this stage, Shri Hibi Eden, Dr. M. K. Vishnu Prasad and some other hon. Members came and stood on the floor near the Table.

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12.16½ hrs

At this stage, Shri Hibi Eden, Dr. M. K. Vishnu Prasad and some other hon. Members went back to their seats.

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