

Regarding need to increase procurement quota of paddy and cotton along with need for additional godowns and rakes for their transportation in Telangana- Laid

DR. KADIYAM KAVYA (WARANGAL): I request the Honble Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare to state the quantum and value of paddy and cotton procured under Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations in Telangana during the last three most recent Rabi and Kharif marketing seasons, including the number of farmers benefited and the quantity procured through Rythu Vedikas and Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies (PACS) in the State. In view of an expected bumper harvest, the Government of Telangana has requested that the Kharif procurement target for 202526 be increased to 53.6 lakh metric tonnes (LMT) of rice, equivalent to 80 LMT of paddy. The State urgently needs this enhancement along with support for storage and logistics, including hiring additional godowns and allocation of more rakes for transportation to ensure smooth movement.