

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the extreme difficulties being faced by the coir-mats and matting co-operative societies, co-operative societies of small-scale producers and Public Sector Institutions like COIRFED due to non-payment of rebate amount due to them; and

(b) if so, the corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF AGRO & RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA)

a) to b): No, Sir. However, a few State Governments have sought payment claiming to be arrears of rebate. Since the claims are in excess of the prescribed limits of the amount earmarked for the purpose, their requests could not be entertained.