

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

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FOODGRAIN EXPORT AS HUMANITARIAN AID
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have provided wheat or rice free of cost to any country as humanitarian aid during the last financial year 2001-2002; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a)&(b): During the financial year 2001-2002, Government had arranged donation of 750 MTs of wheat and 250 MTs of rice at a total cost of Rs.1,28,39,300 as disaster relief to Armenia through M/s State Trading Corporation. The Government had also committed to offer humanitarian assistance including provision of one million MTs of wheat to internally and externally displaced Afghans and others in need.