

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

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CONSOLIDATION OF FOOD SECURITY
T.T.V. DHINAKARAN

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Canadian International Development Agency has proposed to provide assistance to Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore for a project titled 'Consolidation of Food Security in South India';
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the project is likely to be executed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI S. MAHARIA)

(a),(b)&(c): Yes. Sir. There is a project proposal on 'Consolidation of Food Security In South India - a University Partnership for Cooperation and Development - Canadian International Development Agency Tier Project' in partnership with Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore, the University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad, and the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore. The project period is stated to be five years.

The project proposal relates essentially to post harvest activities and is not directly connected with food security or the Public Distribution System.