

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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INTEGRATED FOODGRAINS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some States have launched Integrated Foodgrains Development Programme (paddy) in place of centrally sponsored paddy Development Programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to include all the States especially all the blocks of Scheduled Tribe areas to provide assistance for the equipments and insecticides and make available machineries like power tillers and thrashers etc.; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) to (d): There is no Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Integrated Foodgrains Development Programme (Paddy) in place of Paddy Development programme. The Integrated Cereals Development Programme in Rice Based Cropping System Areas (ICDP-Rice) is implemented by the Central Government under Macro Management of Agriculture (MMA) in areas growing rice as major crop for increasing productivity of cereals as a cropping system approach. Under MMA, the States/UTs have been given flexibility to develop and pursue activities on basis of their regional priorities. Assistance is provided under MMA to farmers of the country including those in Scheduled Tribe areas for power tillers, threshers, insecticides etc.