

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:799  
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PURCHASE OF ONION .  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) The target fixed by National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Limited (NAFED) regarding purchase of onions during the current year alongwith the actual quantum of onions purchased so far;
- (b) Whether delay in the purchase of onions caused due to delay in release of funds to NAFED by the Government has affected the farmers;
- (c) If so, the details thereof; and
- (d) The time by which assistance is likely to be granted to the farmers? ANSWER

**Answer**

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

- (a): No target has been fixed by the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Limited (NAFED) for purchase of onion. During the current year 2006-07 NAFED has purchased a quantity of 6169 MT of onion valuing Rs.229.389 lakhs upto 30.06.2006.
- (b) to (d): There has been no delay in purchase of onion by NAFED and payment has been released to the farmers immediately.