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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of the GDP in farm sector and GDP in overall sectors in 2003-04;
- (b) the projected GDP in farm and other sectors for the current year;
- (c) whether the Government is likely to achieve the projected GDP; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
(SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

- (a) The GDP in `agriculture, forestry and fishing` sector at current prices is estimated as Rs. 560482 crore, which is 22.2 per cent of the overall GDP of the country of Rs. 2523872 crore during 2003-04.
- (b) The annual targets are not fixed by the Planning Commission, as such, the projected GDP in farm sector for the current year is not available.
- (c) For achieving the Tenth Plan GDP targets, steps contemplated are outlined in the Tenth Five Year Plan Document.
- (d) The Tenth Plan proposals, inter alia, include, larger investment in infrastructure and social sector, improving the efficiency of resources used including fuller utilization of the capacity created, creating investor friendly environment and enhancing efficiency of delivery system. In the Agriculture sector, these include greater Public investment in irrigation, eliminating inter-state barriers to trade & commerce, amending Agriculture Produce Marketing Act, liberalizing agri-trading, agri-industry exports, encouraging contract farming, permit futures trading in all commodities and removal of restrictions on financing of stocking and trading.