

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:372  
ANSWERED ON:10.09.2007  
AVAILABILITY AND PROCUREMENT OF FOODGRAINS  
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**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of availability and procurement of foodgrains in the country during the last three years and thereafter till date, Grain-wise, Year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) whether the demand for foodgrains has far exceeded its supply in the country during the said period;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken to meet the demand for foodgrains in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a), (b), (c) & (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE STARRED QUESTION NO. 372 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 10.09.2007 IN THE LOK SABHA.

(a): The details of availability and procurement of wheat in the country during the last three years and current year are given in Annexure-I and II respectively while similar details in respect of rice are at Annexure-III and IV respectively.

(b)&(c): The production (supply) and projected consumption requirement (demand) for wheat and rice during the said period is given at Annexure-V.

(d): To increase cereals production, Centrally Sponsored Integrated Cereals Development Programme (ICDP) in Rice, Wheat and Coarse Cereals is in operation from October 2000. Under these schemes, assistance is provided on 90:10 basis between the Government of India and the State Governments for propagation of improved/hybrid production technology, pest management, farm implements, installation of sprinkler irrigation system, varietal replacement and production of certified seeds. Likewise, to increase the production of pulses, Centrally Sponsored Scheme `Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize` (ISOPOM) is under operation since 01.04.2004. Under this scheme, assistance is provided on 75:25 basis by the Government of India and the State Governments.

The Government of India has initiated two schemes for increasing foodgrains production and improving the agricultural growth in the country. These are

- (i) National Food Security Mission (NFSM), and
- (ii) Rashtriya Krishi Vikash Yojana (RKVY).