GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFAGRICULTURE RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO26.08.2011 ANSWERED ON

SUICIDES BY FARMERS IN ORISSA.

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SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY

Will the Minister of COALCOALAGRICULTURE be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that during May 2009 to August 2011 i.e. during the past two years and three months 225 farmers have committed suicide in Orissa;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Central Government is contemplating to give any special package to the State keeping in view the large number of suicides committed by farmers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and by when the announcement would be made?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

(SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) & (b):Government of Orissa has informed that it has been alleged that 46 farmers during 2009-10, 29 farmers during 2010-11 and 6 farmers during 2011-12 have committed suicide in the State. Also, Government of Orissa has clarified that these suicides are not due to agrarian reasons.
- (c) & (d):No, Sir. There is no such proposal at present,