

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 12.05.2006**

ANSWERED ON

SUICIDES BY POULTRY FARMERS OF MAHARASHTRA .

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Shri Rajeev Shukla

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT LAW & JUSTICE AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :-

- (a) the number of farmers committed suicides in various States since January, 2006, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that some poultry farmers in Maharashtra have also committed suicides after running up major debts because of tumbling poultry prices caused by bird flue; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

- (a): As per the reports received from the State Governments, there has been no information of poultry farmers committing suicide since January 2006. However, as per report of the Andhra Pradesh Poultry Federation, four poultry farmers have committed suicide during March-May 2006.
- (b): No, Sir.
- (c): Question does not arise.