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The attached notification concerning domestic support commitments for **marketing years 1996-97 and 1997-98 (Table DS:1 and the relevant Supporting Tables)** was received from the delegation of **India** on 7 June 2002.

Table DS:1

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing years 1996-97 and 1997-98***Current Total AMS*

Total AMS commitment for period in question	Currency	Current Total AMS
1	2	3

India has no specific total AMS reduction commitments in its schedule. Domestic support to agricultural producers was provided through operations of the Ministry of Agriculture and other Government agencies. All support is covered by the domestic support categories which are exempt from reduction commitments under the Agreement on Agriculture. The attached supporting tables provide details of these exempt measures.

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing years 1996-97 and 1997-98***Measures exempt from reduction commitment - "Green Box"*

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measures in year in question US\$ million		Data sources
1	2	3		4
		1996/97	1997/98	
(a) General services	(i) Research	160.10	185.759	Ministry of Agriculture and Department of Commerce
	(ii) Pest and disease control	6.566	9.936	"
	(iii) Training services	11.714	6.654	"
	(iv) Extension and advisory services	8.236	14.943	"
	(v) Command area development programme	39.488	35.198	Ministry of Water Resources and Department of Commerce
	(vi) Marketing and promotion services	5.239	7.279	Ministry of Rural Development and Department of Commerce
	(vii) Inspection services	n.a.	n.a.	
	(viii) Provision for livestock health facilities	5.694	1.431	Ministry of Agriculture and Department of Commerce
	(ix) Infrastructural services	2.29	3.396	"
(b) Public stockholding for food security purposes	(i) Buffer stock operations (food grain and sugar)	1,708.70	2,018.20	Ministry of Agriculture
(c) Domestic food aid	-	n.a.	n.a.	
(f) Payments for relief from natural disasters	(i) Crop insurance scheme	31.104	29.601	"

Measure type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value of measures in year in question US\$ million		Data sources
1	2	3		4
		1996/97	1997/98	
	(ii) Scarcity relief and natural calamities	413.198	414.200	Ministry of Agriculture and Finance Commission
(i) Structural adjustment assistance provided through investment aids	(i) Dry land farming / rain-fed farming	31.380	41.630	Ministry of Agriculture
	(ii) Scheme for reclamation of alkaline soils	3.494	5.753	Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Water Resources and Ministry of Rural Development
	(iii) Drought-prone area programme	1.442	28.702	"
(j) Payments under environmental programmes	(i) Soil conservation in catchment areas of river valley projects)			
	(ii) Integrated watershed management in the catchment areas of flood prone rivers in the Indo-Gangetic basin)	13.095	13.764	Ministry of Agriculture
	(iii) Spices Board programme for water harvesting, soil conservation and afforestation	0.262	0.206	Department of Commerce
	(iv) National Waste Land Development Programme	3.220	1.399	Ministry of Rural Development
	(v) Desert development programme	30.150	31.606	"
	(vi) Control of shifting cultivation	4.550	4.57	Ministry of Agriculture and Department of Commerce
	(vii) Forest conservation/Afforestation and Economic Development	22.412	18.624	Ministry of Environment and Forests

Data in US\$ million.

Exchange rate: US\$1 = Re 35.50 (1996-97)
US\$1 = Re 37.16 (1997-98)

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1996-97***Measures exempt from the reduction commitment - Special and Differential Treatment - "Development Programmes"*

Measure type		Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Article 6:2	Monetary value of measure in year in question US\$ million	Data sources
1		2	3	4
(a)	Investment subsidies generally available to agriculture ¹	(i) On farm development work (field channels, land levelling, shallow wells, etc.)	1,115.297	Ministry of Rural Development
		(ii) Loan under coffee development plan	0.40	Department of Commerce
		(ii) Subsidies for asset formation (provision of milch animals, farm implements to resource poor farmers, etc. under certain schemes)	1.62	"
(b)	Agricultural input subsidies to low income or resource poor producers	(i) Small farmer development assistance ²	15.551	Ministry of Agriculture and Department of Commerce
		(ii) Other input subsidies ³	3,721.79	"
		(iii) Grant-in-aid given for production of planting material of cardamom (both small and large)	0.056	Department of Commerce
		(iv) Programme for replanting of senile and uneconomic cardamom gardens	0.295	"
		(v) Grant-in-aid given for post-harvest development of spices	0.082	"

¹ Demands for grants 1998-99. This includes allocations under National Programmes on Rural Employment, Rozgar Yojanas, and Million Well Schemes, etc. Support of this nature is given under poverty alleviation programme, i.e., Integrated Rural Development Programme.

² This includes allocation for loans, advances to weaker sections through co-operatives, etc.

³ Includes support for fertilisers, irrigation, electricity, seeds, etc.

Exchange rate: US\$1 = Re 35.50 (1996-97).

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1996-97***Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support*

Description of basic products (including non-product specific AMS)	Product specific AMS (from Supporting Tables DS:5 to DS:7 below) US\$ million	Product-specific equivalent measurements of support (from Supporting Table DS:8 below)	Current Total AMS (aggregate) US\$ million
1	2	3	4
Product-specific AMS			
Rice	(-) 1,321.27	-	<i>de minimis</i>
Wheat	(-) 1,280.79	-	<i>de minimis</i>
Coarse cereals	(-) 1.52	-	<i>de minimis</i>
Non-product-specific AMS (from Supporting Table DS:9)			<i>de minimis</i>

Exchange rate: US\$1 = Re 35.50 (1996-97).

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing Year 1996-97***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Market Price Support*

Description of basic products	Marketing year April-March 1996-97	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price	External reference price ¹	Eligible production	Associated fees/levies	Total market price support	Data sources
			US\$/tonne	US\$/tonne	million tonnes		million US\$	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 (4-5)*6-7	9
Rice	Crop year 1996/97		160.56 ²	262.51	12.96		(-) 1,321.27	Department of Economy and Statistics Ministry of Agriculture
Wheat	Crop year 1995/96		107.04	264	8.16		(-) 1,280.79	
Coarse cereals (bajra, jowar, maize and barley)			86.99	238.57	0.01		(-) 1.52	
TOTAL							<i>de minimis</i> ³	

¹ ERPs are at the average exchange rate prevalent in the base period.² Applied administered price is procurement price for common paddy. (For converting to the equivalent price of rice a coefficient of 1.5 has been used.)³ Support for each of the listed products is below the relevant "product-specific" *de minimis* level (Article 6.4(b) refers).

Exchange rate US\$ to Re: 1996-97 = 35.50
1986-89 Average = 13.409

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1996-97***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Other Product-Specific Support and Total Product-Specific AMS*

Description of basic product	Marketing year April-March 1996-97	Measurement type(s)	Other product-specific budgetary outlays	Other product-specific support (include calculation details)	Associated fees/levies	Total other product-specific support	Market price support (Supporting Table DS:5)	Non-exempt direct payments (Supporting Table DS:6)	Total Product-specific AMS	Data sources
							US\$ million		US\$ million	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 (4+5-6)	8	9	10 (7+8+9)	11
Rice		Price support	-	-	-	-	(-) 1,321.27	-	<i>de minimis</i>	Ministry of Agriculture
Wheat		Price support	-	-	-	-	(-) 1,280.79	-	<i>de minimis</i>	"
Coarse cereals		Price support	-	-	-	-	(-) 1.52	-	<i>de minimis</i>	"

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1996-97***Non-Product-Specific AMS*

Measure type(s)	Marketing year 1996-97	Non-product-specific budgetary outlays	Other non-product- specific support (include calculation details)	Associated fees/levies	Total non-product-specific support	Data sources
		US\$ million			US\$ million	
1	2	3	4	5	6 (3+4-5)	7
Fertilizer subsidy		413.57	-	-	413.57	Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers, Government of India
Subsidy on electricity		373.55	-	-	373.55	Annual report on Working of State Electricity Boards Ministry of Power (actuals)
Irrigation subsidy		143.12	-	-	143.12	Ministry of Water Resources
Subsidy on average supply of seeds		0.10	-	-	0.10	Ministry of Agriculture
				Total	de minimis	

Notes: Data in US\$ million.
Exchange rate: US\$1 = Re 35.50.

Value of total agricultural production = US\$85,280 million (at current prices)

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1997-98***Measures exempt from the reduction commitment - Special and Differential Treatment - "Development Programmes"*

Measure type		Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Article 6:2	Monetary value of measure in year in question US\$ million	Data sources
1		2	3	4
(a)	Investment subsidies generally available to agriculture ¹	(i) On farm development work (field channels, land levelling, shallow wells, etc.)	1,138.565	Ministry of Rural Development and Employment
		(ii) Small sector development scheme for coffee	1.61	Department of Commerce
		(iii) Expansion and consolidation scheme for coffee	0.26	"
		(iv) Interest/DRI/other support for coffee development	0.63	"
		(v) Subsidies for asset formation (provision of milch animals, farm implements to resource poor farmers, etc. under certain schemes)	1.43	"
(b)	Agricultural input subsidies to low income or resource poor producers	(i) Small farmer development assistance ²	14.998	Ministry of Agriculture and Department of Commerce
		(ii) Other input subsidies ³	4,013.92	"
		(iii) Grant-in-aid given for production of planting material of cardamom (both small and large)	0.013	Department of Commerce
		(iv) Programme for replanting of senile and uneconomic cardamom gardens	0.239	"
		(v) Grant-in-aid given for post-harvest development of spices	0.134	"
		(vi) Scheme for vanilla development	0.001	"

¹ Demands for grants 1998-99. This includes allocations under National Programmes on Rural Employment, Rozgar Yojanas, and Million Well Schemes, etc. Support of this nature is given under poverty alleviation programme, i.e., Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP). Total allocation to IRDP in 1997-98 was US\$185.437 million.

² Demands for grants 1998-99 of DAC. This includes allocation for loans, advances to weaker sections through co-operatives, etc. Includes subsidies to coffee growers for control of berry borer and white stem borer.

³ Includes support for fertilisers, irrigation, electricity, seeds, etc.

Exchange rate: US\$1 = Re 37.16 (1997-98).

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1997-98***Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support*

Description of basic products (including non-product specific AMS)	Product specific AMS (from Supporting Tables DS:5 to DS:7 below) US\$ million	Product-specific equivalent measurements of support (from Supporting Table DS:8 below)	Current Total AMS (aggregate) US\$ million
1	2	3	4
Product-specific AMS			
Rice	(-) 1,479.94	-	<i>de minimis</i>
Wheat	(-) 1,266.38	-	<i>de minimis</i>
Coarse cereals	(-) 2.91	-	<i>de minimis</i>
Non-product-specific AMS (from Supporting Table DS:9)			<i>de minimis</i>

Exchange rate US\$ to Re: 1997-98 = 37.16

Supporting Table DS:5

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing Year 1997-98***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Market Price Support*

Description of basic products	Marketing year April-March 1997-98	Measure type(s)	Applied administered price	External reference price ¹	Eligible production	Associated fees/levies	Total market price support	Data sources
			US\$/tonne	US\$/tonne	million tonnes		million US\$	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 ((4-5*6)-7)	9
Rice	Crop year 1997/98		167.52 ²	262.51	15.58	-	(-) 1,479.94	Department of Economy and Statistics Ministry of Agriculture
Wheat	Crop year 1996/97		127.83	264	9.30	-	(-) 1,266.38	
Coarse cereals (bajra, jowar, maize and barley)			93.19	238.57	0.02	-	(-) 2.91	
TOTAL							<i>de minimis</i> ³	

¹ ERPs are at the average exchange rate prevalent in the base period.² Applied administered price is procurement price for common paddy. (For converting to the equivalent price of rice a coefficient of 1.5 has been used.)³ Support for each of the listed products is below the relevant "product-specific" *de minimis* level (Article 6.4(b) refers).

Exchange rate US\$ to Re: 1997-98 = 37.16
1986-89 Average = 13.409

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1997-98***Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Other Product-Specific Support and Total Product-Specific AMS*

Description of basic product	Marketing year April-March 1997-98	Measurement type(s)	Other product-specific budgetary outlays	Other product-specific support (include calculation details)	Associated fees/levies	Total other product-specific support	Market price support (Supporting Table DS:5) US\$ million	Non-exempt direct payments (Supporting Table DS:6)	Total product-specific AMS US\$ million	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 (4+5-6)	8	9	10 (7+8+9)	11
Rice		Price support	-	-	-	-	(-) 1,479.94	-	<i>de minimis</i>	Ministry of Agriculture
Wheat		Price support	-	-	-	-	(-) 1,266.38	-	<i>de minimis</i>	"
Coarse cereals		Price support	-	-	-	-	(-) 2.91	-	<i>de minimis</i>	"

Supporting Table DS:9

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: India**REPORTING PERIOD: Marketing year 1997-98***Non-Product-Specific AMS*

Measure type(s)	Marketing year 1997-98	Non-product-specific budgetary outlays US\$ million	Other non-product- specific support (include calculation details)	Associated fees/levies	Total non-product-specific support US\$ million	Data sources
1	2	3	4	5	6 (3+4-5)	7
Fertilizer subsidy		515.90	-	-	515.90	Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers, Government of India
Subsidy on electricity		342.52	-	-	342.52	Annual report on Working of State Electricity Boards Ministry of Power (RE)
Irrigation subsidy		144.94	-	-	144.94	Ministry of Water Resources
Subsidy on average supply of seeds		0.12	-	-	0.12	Ministry of Agriculture
				TOTAL	<i>de minimis</i>	

Notes: Data in US\$ million.
Exchange rate: US\$1 = Re 37.16.

Value of total agricultural production = US\$84,972 million (at current prices)