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ANSWERED ON-25/07/2025

**FARMERS SUICIDES AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATION OF
SWAMINATHAN COMMISSION**

665. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of farmers who committed suicide during 2024-25 and 2025-26, till date, year-wise, State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that a total of 767 farmers have committed suicide in Maharashtra during first three months of 2025;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government would implement C2 plus 50 percent formula for Minimum Support Price (MSP) of various crops as per recommendation of Swaminthan Commission to redress the issue of large number of suicide by farmers in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR

(a) to (c): The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) under the Ministry of Home Affairs compiles and disseminates information on suicides in its publication titled 'Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India' (ADSI). The report till 2022 is available on NCRB website (<https://ncrb.gov.in>).

(d) to (f): Government fixes Minimum Support Price (MSP) mandated crops based on the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) after considering the views of concerned State Governments and Central Ministries/ Departments. The Union Budget for 2018-19 had announced to keep MSPs at level of one and half times of the cost of production. Accordingly, Government had consistently increased MSP for all mandated Kharif, Rabi and other Commercial crops with a minimum margin of 50 percent over all India weighted average cost of production from the year 2018-19 onwards.

Between 2014 and June 2025, the government procured a total of 114.98 crore metric tonnes of crops at Minimum Support Prices (MSP) and paid ₹23.84 lakh crore to farmers for the procurement.
