

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3432**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2016

**MSP FOR RABI CROPS**

3432. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:  
SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
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SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:  
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE †äöŠääÓä एवं किसान कल्याण ½ää"ääè  
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has announced a big increase in support prices for most rabi crops;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of increase in support prices as compared to that of the last three years, commodity-wise;
- (c) whether the said move would reduce demand-supply gap in pulses and oil seeds increased acreage and give a big boost to the income of the farmers, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether some State Governments and farmers associations are demanding more rise in support prices for rabi crops; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): Government has increased the Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) of all rabi crops for 2016-17 season. The MSPs of rabi crops for last three years and current year i.e. from 2013-14 to 2016-17 are given at **Annexure**.

(c): The total area under pulses and oilseeds has increased in 2016-17 as compared to 2015-16. Area of pulses and oilseeds for 2015-16 and 2016-17 is given below:

(Lakh hectares)		
crop	2015-16	2016-17
Kharif Pulses	113.6*	136.1**
Kharif oilseeds	188.5*	187.5**
Rabi Pulses#	88.12	95.09
Rabi oilseeds#	56.26	64.21

**\*\*As per 1<sup>st</sup> Advance Estimates**

**\* As per 4<sup>th</sup> Advance Estimates**

**# As on 25.11.2016**

As per 1<sup>st</sup> Advance Estimates of 2016-17, production of kharif pulses is estimated at 8.70 million tonnes as compared to 5.54 million tonnes in 2015-16. Production of kharif oilseeds during 2016-17 (1<sup>st</sup> Advance Estimates) is estimated at 23.36 million tonnes as compared to 16.59 million tonnes in 2015-16 .

(d) & (e): Suggestions from State Governments and various farmer organisations are received from time to time for increasing the MSP of crops. Government fixes Minimum Support Price (MSP) for the major agricultural produce on the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP), the views of concerned State Governments and Central Ministries/Departments. While formulating its recommendations on price policy, CACP considers various important factors that include cost of cultivation, trends in market prices, demand and supply situation, effect on general price level, effect on cost of living etc.

**Annexure**

**Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3432 due for reply on 06.12.2016**

**Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) and increase in MSPs of Rabi crops for 2013-14 to 2016-17**

*(Rs. per quintal)*

<b>Crop</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>Absolute increase over 2013-14</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>Absolute increase over 2014-15</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>Absolute increase over 2015-16</b>
Wheat	1400	1450	50	1525	75	1625	100
Barley	1100	1150	50	1225	75	1325	100
Gram	3100	3175	75	3500*	325	4000^	500
Masur (Lentil)	2950	3075	125	3400*	325	3950&	550
Rapseed/ Mustard	3050	3100	50	3350	250	3700\$	350
Safflower	3000	3050	50	3300	250	3700\$	400
Toria	3020	3020	0	3290	270	3560	270

\*Including bonus of Rs.75 per quintal

^Including bonus of Rs. 200 per quintal

& Including bonus of Rs. 150 per quintal

\$Including bonus of Rs. 100 per quintal

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