

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 763
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.11.2016**

WAGES OF AGRICULTURAL LABOURERS

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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the level of wages of agricultural labourers in various States in the country as on 31 July, 2016, State/UT-wise;**
- (b) whether the State Governments are revising such wages in every five years as mandated under the law and if so, the details thereof along with the compliance, State/UT-wise;**
- (c) the amount of wages of agricultural labourers increased during the last three years and the current year State/UT-wise; and**
- (d) the other steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)**

(a) & (b): Under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948 both the Central and the State Governments are appropriate Governments to fix and revise minimum wages every five years in respect of scheduled employments within their jurisdictions. The scheduled employment "Agriculture" falls both in the Central and the State Sphere.

As a part of Rural Labour Enquiry, Labour Bureau has been compiling and maintaining average daily wage rates in respect of selected agricultural and non-agricultural occupations on the basis of the information collected by the National Sample Survey Organization from a fixed set of 600 sample villages spread over 20 States. Average daily wage rates for General Agricultural Labourers in rural areas for the month of July, 2016 is given at Annexure I.

(c) & (d): A statement showing State-wise Annual Average Wage Rates and their Growth Rates in Rural Areas for General Agricultural labourers is given at Annexure II.

Annexure in reply to part (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 763 dated 21.11.2016

Wage rates for General Agricultural Labourers in rural areas for the month of July, 2016 is given below.

Sl. No.	States	Wages (in Rs.)	
		Man	Woman
1	2	3	4
1	Andhra Pradesh	234	159
2	Assam	228	237
3	Bihar	215	185
4	Gujarat	184	174
5	Haryana	360	@
6	Himachal Pradesh	328	324
7	Jammu & Kashmir	407	@
8	Karnataka	249	180
9	Kerala	641	428
10	Madhya Pradesh	165	150
11	Maharashtra	192	134
12	Manipur	@	-
13	Meghalaya	221	154
14	Odisha	205	186
15	Punjab	314	@
16	Rajasthan	279	241
17	Tamil Nadu	376	211
18	Tripura	210	-
19	Uttar Pradesh	209	175
20	West Bengal	232	212

Note: “-” figures not reported.

“@” Quotations are less than five.

Annexure in Reply to part © of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.763 for 21.11.2016

Statement showing State-wise and Sex-wise Annual Average Wage Rates (Agricultural) Year Wise; July to June) and other Growth Rates in Rural Areas for General Agricultural Labourers.

Sl.No.	States	Wages (in Rs.)								Growth Rate (in %)					
		2013-14*		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17#		2014-15 over 2013-14		2015-16 over 2014-15		2016-17 over 2015-16	
		Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	Andhra Pradesh	211.74	138.18	217.12	140.5	217.41	147.78	239.39	163.9	2.54	1.68	0.13	5.18	10.11	10.91
2	Assam	189.44	182.38	205.06	205.26	219.56	218.51	228.19	237	8.24	12.55	7.07	6.45	3.93	8.46
3	Bihar	186.59	144.3	201.24	157.97	209.51	167.68	215.95	184.92	7.85	9.47	4.11	6.15	3.07	10.29
4	Gujarat	143.25	142.11	165.95	160.4	179.87	175	183.95	174.29	15.84	12.87	8.39	9.1	2.27	-0.41
5	Haryana	324.26	325.71	343.14	340.29	355.79	@	360.36	@	5.82	4.47	3.69	@	1.29	@
6	Himachal Pradesh	290.62	302	311.36	312.83	321.24	316	333.64	329	7.14	3.59	3.17	1.01	3.86	4.11
7	Jammu & Kashmir	353.48	@	376.26	@	399.61	@	407.06	@	6.44	@	6.2	@	1.86	@
8	Karnataka	202.42	145.46	208.29	149.4	236	172.81	248.7	179.77	2.9	2.71	13.3	15.67	5.38	4.03
9	Kerala	587.96	411.95	578.84	407.17	621.66	421.56	641.07	427.5	-1.55	-1.16	7.4	3.53	3.12	1.41
10	Madhya Pradesh	138.01	121.53	153.44	136.45	162.15	146.96	165.61	150.76	11.18	12.28	5.67	7.7	2.14	2.58
11	Maharashtra	192.27	129	196.21	134.48	195.62	134.29	192.76	134.94	2.05	4.24	-0.3	-0.13	-1.46	0.48
12	Manipur	@	-	@	-	@	-	@	-	@	-	@	-	@	-
13	Meghalaya	170.89	121.61	178.75	132.6	219.64	153.21	221.43	152.86	4.6	9.04	22.88	15.54	0.81	-0.23
14	Orissa	172.33	154.78	183.59	161.45	195.66	175.27	205.86	187.28	6.54	4.31	6.57	8.56	5.22	6.85
15	Punjab	274.53	@	288.31	@	310.65	@	318.19	@	5.02	@	7.75	@	2.43	@
16	Rajasthan	262.77	212.01	271.46	206.76	287.33	248.38	280.43	246.81	3.31	-2.48	5.85	20.13	-2.4	-0.63
17	Tamil Nadu	320.69	178.95	341.95	192.25	363.28	199.1	376.79	210.6	6.63	7.43	6.24	3.56	3.72	5.78
18	Tripura	210	-	209.07	-	209.91	-	210	-	-0.44	-	0.4	-	0.04	-
19	Uttar Pradesh	183.57	159.4	194.72	169.04	201.38	171.84	210.04	176.54	6.08	6.05	3.42	1.66	4.3	2.74
20	West Bengal	196.26	175.2	221.39	191.93	221.96	203.6	231.72	212.02	12.8	9.55	0.26	6.08	4.4	4.13

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* Average based on 8 months wage data (November, 2013 to June, 2014) as there has been a change in categorisation of occupation nomenclature w.e.f November, 2013.

Average based on 2 months wage data (July, 2016 to August, 2016)
