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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2419 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND JANUARY, 2018

FIXATION OF FRP FOR ONION

2419. SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to impose Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) on onion like sugarcane in place of imposing Minimum Export Price (MEP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) & (b): No such proposal is under the consideration of the Government.
- (c): Government implements Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) for procurement of agricultural and horticultural commodities including onion which are perishable in nature and are not covered under the Price Support Scheme. The objective of intervention is to protect the growers of these commodities from making distress sale in the event of bumper crop during the peak arrival period when the prices tend to fall below economic levels and cost of production. It is implemented on the specific request of the State/UT Government concerned, which has to bear 50% of the loss (25% in case of North-Eastern States), if any, incurred on its implementation
