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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4090
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20TH MARCH, 2018

INCREASE IN MSP

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE **₣ãðŠãäÓã** एवं किसान कल्याण ½ãâããè be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to increase the MSP to double the farmers income;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the suggestions given by the experts in agriculture sector in terms of doubling the farmers income; and
- (d) the time period by which the Government is going to implement those suggestions for better livelihood of farmers?

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 mandated crops for 2017-18 on the basis of recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACPC) to provide remunerative price to farmers. The MSPs fixed by the Government and increase in MSP of 2017-18 over 2016-17 is at **Annexure**. The MSPs fixed by the Government provide adequate return over weighted average cost of production (A2+FL).

The Union Budget for 2018-19 has announced the pre-determined principle to keep MSPs at levels of one and half time the cost of production for kharif crops.

(c) & (d): The Government has constituted an Inter-Ministerial Committee on 13.04.2016 under the Chairmanship of Chief Executive Officer, National Rainfed Area Authority, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare to examine issues relating to doubling of farmers' income and recommend a strategy to achieve the same by the year 2022. In order to involve the stakeholders across the country in finalizing the strategy, the Committee has been placing its reports in installments. As of now, ten volumes of the draft Report prepared by the Committee have been uploaded

on the website of this Department (<http://agricoop.nic.in/doubling-farmers>) for seeking public opinion.

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There is no deadline for submission of Report by the Committee. However, alongside working on a comprehensive strategy, the Committee has been parallely suggesting various interventions like Model Agricultural Produce and Livestock Marketing (Promotion and Facilitation) Act, 2017, a five year roadmap for pulses production for achieving a level of production of 24 million tonnes and comprehensive roadmap for increasing the production of oilseeds in the country. A National Conference was organized on February 19-20, 2018 on the subject of doubling farmers' income in which farmers, farmers' associations, scientists, economists, academia and others participated. Some of the main suggestions emanating from the conference included converting waste to wealth in mission mode, promoting post-harvest infrastructure with greater use of warehouse receipts, upgrading rural haats and providing certain incentives for contract farming.

At present, the Government is implementing various schemes and recalibrating them based on the suggested intervention to synchronise with higher gains for the farmers which include Soil Health Cards (SHC), production and availability of quality seeds, Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY), e-National Agriculture Market (e-NAM), Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) and promotion of allied activities like dairying, poultry, beekeeping and fisheries.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) and (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4090 due for reply on 20.03.2018.

Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) and increase in MSP

(Rs. per quintal)

Sl. No.	Commodity	Variety	2016-17	2017-18	(#) increase in MSP 2017-18 over 2016-17
	<u>KHARIF CROPS</u>				
1	PADDY	Common	1470	1550	80(5.4)
		Grade 'A'	1510	1590	80(5.3)
2	JOWAR	Hybrid	1625	1700	75(4.6)
		Maldandi	1650	1725	75(4.5)
3	BAJRA		1330	1425	95(7.1)
4	MAIZE		1365	1425	60(4.3)
5	RAGI		1725	1900	175(10.1)
6	ARHAR(Tur)		5050^^	5450^	400(7.9)
7	MOONG		5225^^	5575^	350(6.7)
8	URAD		5000^^	5400^	400(8)
9	COTTON	Medium Staple	3860	4020	160(4.1)
		Long Staple	4160	4320	160(3.8)
10	GROUNDNUT IN SHELL		4220*	4450^	230(5.5)
11	SUNFLOWER SEED		3950*	4100*	150(3.8)
12	SOYABEEN		2775*	3050^	275(9.9)
13	SESAMUM		5000^	5300*	300(6)
14	NIGERSEED		3825*	4050*	225(5.9)
	<u>RABI CROPS</u>				
15	WHEAT		1625	1735	110(6.8)
16	BARLEY		1325	1410	85(6.4)
17	GRAM		4000^	4400@	400(10.0)
18	MASUR (LENTIL)		3950@	4250*	300(7.6)
19	RAPSEED/MUSTARD		3700*	4000*	300(8.1)
20	SAFFLOWER		3700*	4100*	400(10.8)
21	TORIA		3560	3900	340(9.6)
	<u>OTHER CROPS</u>				
22	COPRA	Milling	5950	6500	550(9.2)
	(Calender Year)	Ball	6240	6785	545(8.7)
23	DE-HUSKED COCONUT (Calender Year)		1600	1760	160(10)
24	JUTE		3200	3500	300(9.3)
25	SUGARCANE\$		230	255	25(10.9)

Figures in brackets indicate percentage increase.

\$ Fair and remunerative price.

* Including Bonus of Rs. 100 per quintal.

^ Including Bonus of Rs. 200 per quintal.

^^ Including Bonus of Rs. 425 per quintal.

@ Including Bonus of Rs. 150 per quintal
