

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1040
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24TH JULY, 2018

AGRARIAN CRISIS

1040. SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:
SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

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

- (a) whether the farmers went on nation-wide agitation against agrarian crisis in the country and if so, the details thereof and the Government's reaction thereto;
- (b) whether the Government has proposed to increase the Minimum Support Prices (MSP) to double the farmer's income and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether farmers have been committing suicide as agriculture are not viable and profitable and if so, the Government's reaction thereto;
- (d) the details of suicide by farmers during the last four years; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken by the Government for the development of agriculture and welfare of farmers in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a): Rashtriya Kisan Mahasangh had organized 'Gaon Bandh (Village Strike) agitation from 1st June to 10th June, 2018 over demands including complete waiver of farm loans, implementation of Swaminathan Commission recommendations pertaining to fixation of Minimum Support Price for agricultural produce and guaranteed income of farmers.

(b) to (e): In the budget for 2018-19 the Government had announced that MSP for all unannounced Kharif crops will be 1.5 times the cost of production. Giving a major boost for the farmers income, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) in its meeting held on 04.07.2018 has approved the increase in the MSPs for all Kharif crops for 2018-19 season at a level of at least 150 percent of the cost of production. The MSP declared during 2012-13 to 2018-19 for various crops is at **Annexure-I**.

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The Government is targeting to double the income of the farmers by the year 2022. To achieve this, the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers' Welfare has taken a number of measures. The Government is aiming to reorient the agriculture sector by focusing on an income-centeredness in addition to pure production centeredness approach. The Department has, therefore, been implementing various schemes to meet this objective viz. Soil Health Card (SHC) scheme, Neem Coated Urea, Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY), National Agriculture Market Scheme (e-NAM), Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Interest Subvention Scheme etc.

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). These Reports on suicides upto 2015 are available at its website. The Report for the years 2016 onward has not been published yet. However, NCRB has provided data relating to suicides for the year 2016 (Provisional) to this Ministry. As per ADSI Reports for the years 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 (Provisional) the suicides by farmers and agricultural labourers were 11772, 12360, 12602 and 11370 respectively.

Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1040 due for 24.07.2018 Statement in respect of Part (b) to (e) of the Question regarding 'Agrarian Crises'

7 years MSP Statement

(Rs per quintal)

Sl. No.	Commodity	Variety	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
	<u>KHARIF CROPS</u>								
1	PADDY	Common	1250	1310	1360	1410	1470	1550	1750
		Grade 'A'	1280	1345	1400	1450	1510	1590	1770
2	JOWAR	Hybrid	1500	1500	1530	1570	1625	1700	2430
		Maldandi	1520	1520	1550	1590	1650	1725	2450
3	BAJRA		1175	1250	1250	1275	1330	1425	1950
4	MAIZE		1175	1310	1310	1325	1365	1425	1700
5	RAGI		1500	1500	1550	1650	1725	1900	2897
6	ARHAR(Tur)		3850	4300	4350	4625 [^]	5050 ^{^^}	5450 [^]	5675
7	MOONG		4400	4500	4600	4850 [^]	5225 ^{^^}	5575 [^]	6975
8	URAD		4300	4300	4350	4625 [^]	5000 ^{^^}	5400 [^]	5600
9	COTTON	Medium Staple	3600	3700	3750	3800	3860	4020	5150
		Long Staple	3900	4000	4050	4100	4160	4320	5450
10	GROUNDNUT IN SHELL		3700	4000	4000	4030	4220*	4450 [^]	4890
11	SUNFLOWER SEED		3700	3700	3750	3800	3950*	4100*	5388
12	SOYABEEN	Black	2200	2500	2500	-	-	-	-
		Yellow ##	2240	2560	2560	2600	2775*	3050 [^]	3399
13	SESAMUM		4200	4500	4600	4700	5000 [^]	5300*	6249
14	NIGERSEED		3500	3500	3600	3650	3825*	4050*	5877
	<u>RABI CROPS</u>								
15	WHEAT		1350	1400	1450	1525	1625	1735	
16	BARLEY		980	1100	1150	1225	1325	1410	
17	GRAM		3000	3100	3175	3500**	4000 [^]	4400@	
18	MASUR (LENTIL)		2900	2950	3075	3400**	3950@	4250*	
19	RAPESEED/MUSTARD		3000	3050	3100	3350	3700*	4000*	
20	SAFFLOWER		2800	3000	3050	3300	3700*	4100*	
21	TORIA		2970	3020	3020	3290	3560	3900*	
	<u>OTHER CROPS</u>								
22	COPRA	Milling	5100	5250	5250	5550	5950	6500	7511
	(Calender Year)	Ball	5350	5500	5500	5830	6240	6785	7750
23	DE-HUSKED COCONUT (Calender Year)		1400	1425	1425	1500	1600	1760	2030
24	JUTE		2200	2300	2400	2700	3200	3500	3700
25	SUGARCANE#		170	210	220	230	230	255	275

Fair and remunerative price.

Single MSP of Soyabean (yellow) is recommended by CACP since 2015-16, as black variety of soyabean is no longer cultivated in major producing states. Since 2015-16, MSP of Soyabean yellow is also applicable to black variety

* Including Bonus of Rs. 100 per quintal.

** Including Bonus of Rs. 75 per quintal .

^ Including Bonus of Rs. 200 per quintal.

^^ Including Bonus of Rs. 425 per quintal.

@ including bonus of Rs. 150 per quintal
