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LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4552

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 8th JANUARY, 2019

COTTON PRODUCTION IN THE COUNTRY

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

- (a) whether per hectare production of cotton in the country is constantly declining in the last few years, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of per hectare production of years 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19;
- (c) whether production cost of cotton has increased during the above mentioned years; and
- (d) if so, the details of the prices of essential items of agricultural use like seed, fertilizers, insecticides during each of the above said years?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Per hectare production of cotton in the country has not decreased during last few years and has followed a mixed trend hovering around 415 Kg./hectare to 512 Kg./hectare during the last five years i.e. 2013-14 to 2017-18. The details of per hectare production of cotton in the country during 2015-16 to 2018-19 are as under:

Year	Yield (Kg/hectare.)		
2015-16	415		
2016-17	512		
2017-18 *	477		
2018-19 **	451		

^{*} As per 4th Advance Estimate ** As per 1st Advance Estimate

(c) & (d): Yes Madam, the production cost of cotton has increased during the years 2015-16 to 2018-19. The details are as under:

Year	Cost of production (Rs./Quintal)*
2015-16	2753
2016-17	2889
2017-18	3276
2018-19	3433

^{*}All India weighted average projected Cost of Production

Source: Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP)

Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) makes cost projections based on Composite Input Price Index (CIPI) for essential items of agricultural use. Based on the CIPI, the CACP projects crop-wise, state-wise cost of cultivation. Crop-wise, state-wise cost of production is then derived from these projected cost of cultivation using projected yields. The Composite Input Price Index (CIPI) for essential items of agricultural use for kharif crops including cotton during the years 2015-16 to 2018-19 is given at **Annexure**.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to Parts (c) and (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4552 for reply on 08.01.2019

The Composite Input Price Index (CIPI) for essential items of agricultural use for kharif crops including cotton during the years 2015-16 to 2018-19

Inputs	Weights	Kharif Crops Input Price Index (Base 2011-12=100)			
	(2015-16)	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Human labour	0.53	157.26	165.12	172.46	179.45
Bullock labour	0.06	179.88	186.13	192.53	199.03
Machine labour	0.13	113.21	118.57	124.33	130.53
Seeds	0.08	145.80	154.79	164.89	176.19
Fertilizers	0.09	149.51	153.93	158.49	163.28
Manures	0.03	149.41	153.65	158.04	162.58
Insecticides	0.03	119.95	125.29	131.00	137.04
Irrigation charges	0.05	105.94	107.60	109.34	111.14
Composite Input Price Index (CIPI)		147.44	154.15	160.76	167.38
