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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3295
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21ST MARCH, 2023

MSP FOR DIFFERENT CROPS

3295. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to declare the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for crops like guar, moth, cotton etc.;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that the support price of millet etc. has been declared but millet is not being procured in Rajasthan; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): Government fixes Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 22 mandated agricultural crops including cotton, on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), after considering the views of State Governments and Central Ministries/Departments concerned.

The inclusion of crops under MSP framework is dependent on several factors which include relatively large shelf life, widely grown, item of mass consumption, essential for food security, among others. Time to time, Government examines the above-mentioned factors while considering a crop under the MSP regime. Moreover, agricultural and

horticultural crops for which MSP is not fixed and are generally perishable in nature, are covered under Market Intervention Scheme (MIS).

(c) & (d): States are allowed to procure Nutri-cereals/Millets/Shree Anna from farmers at MSP under central pool subject to the prior approval of Department of Food & Public Distribution (DFPD), Government of India, on the detailed procurement plan prepared by State Governments in consultation with Food Corporation of India (FCI).

In last three years, Government has not received procurement plan/proposal for procurement of millets as per extant guidelines from State Government of Rajasthan.
