

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION 4402
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH MARCH, 2023

CROP LOSS TO FARMERS

4402. DR. PON GAUTHAM SIGAMANI:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that for three consecutive crop seasons, there has been no occasion a farmer could even recover cost accruing loss instead;
- (b) whether it is also true that the Rabi crop is not going to be a favourable one for the farmers as the country is experiencing unusually high temperatures and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also true that the hope of the Rabi crop harvest reaching even last year's level is wanning ; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय (SHRI NARENDER SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d) The cost of production estimates generated include all paid-out cost, i.e., cost incurred in cash and kind, like value of hired human labour, hired and owned bullock and machine labour, value of seeds, insecticides, pesticides, manure, fertilizer, irrigation charges, land revenue, cesses & other taxes, interest on working capital, miscellaneous expenses, rent paid for leased land; and imputed value of family labour. Based on the crop-wise and state-wise cost estimates generated under the CS Scheme, CACP projects crop-wise all India weighted average cost of production for the ensuing season to arrive at the recommendations of Minimum Support Price (MSP) of major agriculture commodities.

Government fixes Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) for twenty-two (22) mandated crops based on the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs &

Prices (CACP) after considering the views of concerned State Governments and Central Ministries/Departments. The 22 mandated crops include 14 Kharif crops viz. paddy, jowar, bajra, maize, ragi, arhar, moong, urad, groundnut, soybean (yellow), sunflower seed, sesamum, nigerseed, cotton and 6 Rabi crops viz. wheat, barley, gram, masur (lentil), rapeseed & mustard, safflower and two commercial crops viz. jute and copra.

While recommending MSPs, CACP considers important factors like cost of production, overall demand-supply situation of various crops in domestic and global markets, domestic and international prices, inter-crop price parity, terms of trade between agricultural and non-agricultural sector, likely effect of price policy on rest of the economy and a minimum of 50 percent as the margin over cost of production. The estimated all India weighted average cost of production (operational and imputed value of family labour) and MSP of mandated crops during the last three years is attached in **Annexure**.

As per Second Advance Estimates for the Agricultural Year 2022-23, the Rabi food-grain production is estimated at 1701.24 lakh tonnes as compared to 1602.52 lakh tonnes for 2021-22 which is higher by 98.72 lakh tonnes. Further, the Rabi production as per Second Advance Estimates for 2022-23 is higher by 176.53 lakh tonnes than the average (2017-18 to 2021-22) Rabi foodgrain production of 1524.71 lakh tonnes.

Annexure

Annexure referred in reply to part (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha unstarred Question no. 4402 due for reply on 28/03/2023

Rs/ Qtl.

Projected Cost of Production(CoP) A ₂ +FL & MSP						
Crop	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23	
	A ₂ +FL	MSP	A ₂ +FL	MSP	A ₂ +FL	MSP
Paddy	1245	1868	1293	1940	1360	2040
Jowar	1746	2620	1825	2738	1977	2970
Bajra	1175	2150	1213	2250	1268	2350
Maize	1213	1850	1246	1870	1308	1962
Ragi	2194	3295	2251	3377	2385	3578
Tur (Arhar)	3796	6000	3886	6300	4131	6600
Moong	4797	7196	4850	7275	5167	7755
Urad	3660	6000	3816	6300	4155	6600
Groundnut	3515	5275	3699	5550	3873	5850
Soybean	2587	3880	2633	3950	2805	4300
Sunflower	3921	5885	4010	6015	4113	6400
Sesamum	4570	6855	4871	7307	5220	7830
Nigerseed	4462	6695	4620	6930	4858	7287
Cotton	3676	5515	3817	5726	4053	6080
Wheat	960	1975	1008	2015	1065	2125
Barley	971	1600	1019	1635	1082	1735
Gram	2866	5100	3004	5230	3206	5335
Lentil(Masur)	2864	5100	3079	5500	3239	6000
R&M	2415	4650	2523	5050	2670	5450
Safflower	3551	5327	3627	5441	3765	5650
Sugarcane	159	285	155	290	162	305
Copra	6805	10335	6974	10590	7153	10860
Jute	2709	4225	2832	4500	2959	4750

Source: Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP)

A₂+FL refers to all paid out cost + Imputed Value of Family Labour

MSP refers to Minimum Support Price
