GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 775 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25TH JULY, 2023

INCREASE IN KHARIF MSP

775. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU: SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:

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

- (a) whether the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of the Kharif crops have been increased recently by the Government for the year 2023-24;
- (b) if so, the details of the increase in MSP, crop-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has estimated any loss in the Kharif crops due to unseasonal rains etc. during the current year and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has made any provisions for compensation and additional benefits to farmers to offset any losses in Kharif crops;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether the Government has conducted any study for assessing the impact of MSP and the benefits likely to be available to the farmers as a result thereof, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Details of Minimum Support Price (MSP) fixed by the Government for Kharif Crops for Marketing Season 2022-23 and 2023-24 are given in the **Annexure**.
- (c) to (e): The primary responsibility for disaster management rests with the State Governments. The State Governments provide financial relief to the affected people in the wake of notified disasters from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF). However, in the event of disaster of a severe nature, additional financial assistance is extended from the

National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF), as per the laid down procedure, which includes an assessment based on the visit of an Inter-Ministerial Central Team (IMCT).

Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) coordinates relief measures for drought, hailstorm, pest attack and cold wave/frost upon receipt of Memorandum from the State for additional assistance from NDRF. During the current year, no memorandum has been received so far, for financial assistance from NDRF from any State Government in the wake of notified calamities coordinated by DA&FW.

(f): The NITI Aayog had released a study entitled "Efficacy of Minimum Support Prices on farmers" in 2016, covering 14 States, 36 Districts, 72 Blocks, 144 Villages and 1440 Households. The study has found, among other things, that MSP declared by the Government has encouraged 78% of the farmers covered under the study to adopt improved methods of farming such as high yielding varieties of seeds, organic manure, chemical fertilizer, pesticides and improved methods of harvesting etc.

Annexure

Annex referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.775 due for reply on 25.07.2023

Minimum Support Price (MSP) of Kharif Crops

(in ₹ per quintal)

Sl. No.	Commodity	Variety	MSP	
			2022-23	2023-24
1	Paddy	Common	2040	2183
		Grade A	2060	2203
2.	Jowar	Hybrid	2970	3180
		Maldandi	2990	3225
3.	Bajra		2350	2500
4.	Ragi		3578	3846
5.	Maize		1962	2090
6.	Tur (Arhar)		6600	7000
7.	Moong		7755	8558
8.	Urad		6600	6950
9.	Cotton	Medium Staple	6080	6620
		Long Staple	6380	7020
10.	Groundnut		5850	6377
11.	Sunflower Seed		6400	6760
12.	Soyabean		4300	4600
13.	Sesamum		7830	8635
14.	Nigerseed		7287	7734
