

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.235

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 05th December, 2023

MAXIMUM SUPPORT PRICE

235. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to ensure maximum support price for Agricultural products produced by small farmers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to include all the States under Prime Minister Kisan Bhai Warehousing Incentive Scheme; 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 (MSPs) for 22 mandated agricultural crops and Fair & Remunerative Price (FRP) for sugarcane on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), after considering the views of the State Governments and Central Ministries/Departments concerned.

Moreover, Union Budget for 2018-19 had announced the pre-determined principle to keep MSP at levels of one and half times of the cost of production. Accordingly, Government has increased the MSPs for all mandated Kharif, Rabi and other commercial crops with a margin of at least 50 per cent over all India weighted average cost of production from the agricultural year 2018-19.

(c) & (d): No Sir, Government of India is not implementing Pradhan Mantri Kisan Bhai Warehousing Incentive Scheme. However, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare has circulated a concept note on PM- Kisan –Bhandaran Incentive Scheme, for stakeholder's consultation to promote storage.
