LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3102 TO BE ANSWERED ON 6.12.2019

COTTON CORPORATION OF INDIA

3102. SHRI MANOJ KOTAK:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) has procured organic cotton from farmers of various States specially from Maharashtra at Minimum Support Price in last five years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, Statewise specially in Maharashtra;
- (c) whether the organic cotton growers are getting adequate price for their produce;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to give remunerative price of organic cotton to the farmers?

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ANSWER वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति ज़ूबिन इरानी) MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) & (b): There is no separate Minimum Support Price (MSP) for organic cotton. Therefore, Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) has not procured organic cotton under MSP.
- (c) to (e): There is no separate Minimum Support Price (MSP) for organic cotton. However, Organic produce commands a higher price in the market in comparison to non-organic produce. Government is promoting organic farming in a cluster approach to bring down its costs which is expected to increase return to the farmers, through Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) using traditional resources and organic products.
