# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.428 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020

### **CULTIVATION OF KHARIF CROP**

## 428. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

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

- (a) whether Kharif crop has been cultivated more in the year 2020-21 in comparison to the previous years;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase Government prices of Kharif crops like paddy, soyabean, maize, jowar, bajra etc, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether soyabean crops in Wardha, Amravati and Aavtmal in Vidarbh is ruined;
- (d) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for providing compensation for the loss to the farmers; and
- (e) if so, by when it is likely to be done?

#### **ANSWER**

### MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a): Yes Sir. As per the reports from the States kharif crops have been sown in an area of 1104.54 lakh ha during 2020-21 as compared to 1045.18 lakh ha as on 11.09.2020, which is higher by 59.36 lakh ha.
- (b): The Govt. of India has already increased and notified Minimum Support Price of crops for 2020 as given under:

(Rs per quintals)

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SI.	Kharif Crops	2019-20	2020-21
No.			
1	Paddy (Common)	1815	1868
	(Grade A)	1835	1888
2	Jowar (Hybrid)	2550	2620
	(Maldandi)	2570	2640
3	Bajra	2000	2150
4	Ragi	3150	3295
5	Maize	1760	1850
6	Tur (Arhar)	5800	6000
7	Moong	7050	7196
8	Urad	5700	6000
9	Groundnut	5090	5275
10	Sunflower Seed	5650	5885
11	Soyabeen (yellow)	3710	3880
12	Sesamum	6485	6855
13	Nigerseed	5940	6695
14	Cotton (Medium	5255	5515
	Staple)		
	(Long Staple)	5550	5825
15	Jute	3950	4225
16	Sugarcane*	275	285

<sup>\*</sup> Fair & remunerative price (FRP)

(c): The State Government of Maharashtra has informed that as per primary report soyabean has been affected in 162169 hectares due to continuous rain and pest attack. The district-wise affected area is as below:

SI.	District	Area affected as per primary	
No.		report (ha.)	
1	Amravati	44277	
2	Akola	6000	
3	Buldhana	2400	
4	Washim	13095	
5	Wardha	43145	
6	Nagpur	45074	
7	Chandrapur	7360	
8	Dhule	818	
	Total	162169	

(d) & (e): The State Government is primarily responsible for taking necessary relief measures in the wake of natural calamities. For undertaking relief measures, funds are available with the State Government in the form of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF), Additional financial assistance, over and above SDRF, is considered from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) for natural calamities of severe nature and is approved on the basis of Memorandum received from State Government, in accordance with established procedure. In order to insulate farmers against the loss of crop due to natural calamities. In order to insulate farmers against the loss of crop due to natural calamities, Government of India had launched Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) from April 2016.

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