

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2398**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2021

**SHUTTING DOWN PROCUREMENT CENTRES IN TELANGANA**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the Telangana State Government announcement that procurement centres across the State will be shut down and if so, the Ministry's response in this regard;
- (b) whether this step by the State Government has been enabled by the passing of the new farm laws by the Centre and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the Ministry's response to the stand taken by the State Government'
- (d) the estimated number of farmers who sell their produce to the procurement centres run by IKP Self Help Groups and Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies in Telangana along with a breakdown according to size of landholding of farmers; and
- (e) whether there is any legal safeguard to guarantee these farmers MSP on their produce if they do not sell to these procurement centres and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a): There is no such announcement made by the State Government.
- (b) & (c): Do not arise.

(d): The estimated number of farmers who sell their produce to the procurement centres run by IKP Self Help Groups and Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies in Telangana along with a breakdown according to size of landholding of farmers as provided by the State Govt. is **annexed**.

(e): The procurement at MSP is being done by Central and State Agencies under various schemes of Government. Besides, the overall market also responds to declaration of MSP and Government's procurement operations which results in private procurement on or above the MSP for various notified crops. However, farmers are free to sell their produce anywhere if they get better price.

## Annexure

**Estimated number of farmers who sell their produce to the procurement centres run by IKP Self Help Groups and Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies in Telangana along with a breakdown according to size of landholding of farmers for paddy procurement during Kharif 2020-21**

### Quantity in Quintals

Agency Name	No. of Centres	Below 5 Acres Farmers	Below 5 Acres Quantity	Above 5 Acres Trans	Above 5 Acres Farmers	Above 5 Acres Quantity	Total Farmers	Total Quantity
IKP (DRDA, MEPMA)	1953	262714	11740613	9245	8719	1620243	271433	13360856
PACS (HACA,FSCS,DC MS,GCC)	4091	589072	28739203	26313	24027	5414390	613099	34153593
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6044</b>	<b>851786</b>	<b>40479816</b>	<b>35558</b>	<b>32746</b>	<b>7034633</b>	<b>884532</b>	<b>47514450</b>

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