

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2718
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 14TH DECEMBER, 2021

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2718. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

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

- (a) whether the poor farmers are still not out of the clutches of moneylenders, businessmen and middlemen and are still selling their products at prices lower than Minimum Support Price (MSP);
- (b) if so, whether, the Government is formulating any scheme to pay the farmers immediately for the products purchased from them; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c) : Government announces Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 22 major agricultural commodities of Fair Average Quality (FAQ) each year in both the Crop seasons after taking into account the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP). Government also extends Price Support for procurement of these notified crops through designated Central Nodal Agencies.

Further, due to announcement of MSP and procurement of the government, the overall market also responds which result in private procurement on or above the MSP. All the payments for procurement by Central agencies / State agencies to the farmers are made directly into their bank accounts immediately from the date of procurement from farmers.
