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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3908 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21ST DECEMBER, 2021

PRICE OF SOYABEANS

3908. SHRI SYED IMTIAZ JALEEL:

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

- (a) whether farmers sold soybeans at Government-cut prices;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the import of soymeal results in pulling domestic soybean prices by 50%; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a) & (b): Government implements Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA) for procurement of notified oilseeds, pulses and copra including soybeans of Fair Average Quality (FAQ) at Minimum Support Price (MSP) through Central Nodal agency directly from registered farmers after receiving the proposals from the State Government as per scheme guidelines. However, if farmer gets better price in comparison to MSP, they are free to sell their produce in open market.
- (c) & (d): In the last year, soyabean crop got damaged due to weather and there was continuous demand from livestock industry as soyabean meal was not available, so to protect livestock industry soyabean meal import was allowed. During the current harvest season of soyabean, the averge mandi prices is ruling above MSP in most of the soybean producing states. Mandi wholesale prices of Soybean during kharif season (September to December 2021) is at Annexure-I.

Annexure-I

Mandi Wholesale Prices of Soybean during Kharif Season (September to December 2021)					
SI.No.	State	Commodity	Year	Weightage Average Mandi Price (in Rs./Qtl.)	MSP
1	Chattisgarh	Soyabean	2021	5149	3950
2	Gujarat	Soyabean	2021	5221	3950
3	Karnataka	Soyabean	2021	5462	3950
4	Madhya Pradesh	Soyabean	2021	5286	3950
5	Maharashtra	Soyabean	2021	5406	3950
6	Rajasthan	Soyabean	2021	5624	3950
7	Tamil Nadu	Soyabean	2021	6386	3950
8	Telangana	Soyabean	2021	5446	3950
9	Uttar Pradesh	Soyabean	2021	5860	3950
