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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1118 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 08th FEBRUARY, 2022

CULTIVATION OF RICE IN TAMIL NADU

1118. SHRI VELUSAMY P.: SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

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

- (a) the total cultivation of rice in the country and out of which what is the total cultivation of rice in Tamilnadu;
- (b) the quantum of rice production in Tamilnadu and the MSP (Minimum Support Price) fixed for paddy cultivation;
- (c) whether the Government is having any proposal to increase the MSP since the Government is targeting to double the income of farmers;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is having any proposal to increase the insurance amount under PM Fasal Yojana and reducing the premium paid by the paddy cultivators; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) The total area under paddy in the country is 450.67 lakh ha including 20.38 lakh ha in Tamil Nadu(4^{th} Advance estimates 2020-21).

(b) The production of rice in Tamil Nadu during the year 2020-21 is 72.83 lakh tonnes(4th Advance estimates 2020-21) and the Minimum Support Price (MSP) ofpaddyfor the year 2021-22 is as below;

(In Rs. Per Qtl.)

Paddy Variety	Minimum Support Price (MSP)
Common	1940
Grade 'A'	1960

(c)& (d) : In order to provide remunerative returns to the farmers, the Government has increased the MSP for all mandated crops with a return of at least 50 per cent over all India weighted average cost of production from the year 2018-19.

(e)& (f) : There is no proposal regarding change in methodology to calculate claims under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) scheme.
