

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1313**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2024

**COMMITTEE ON MSP**

1313. SHRI ANAND BHADAURIA:

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

- (a) the number of meetings of the Committee constituted on Minimum Support Price (MSP) held since 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 till July, 2024 along with the dates and agenda of the meetings, meeting-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating to bring legislation to provide legal guarantee of MSP to the farmers as per Swaminathan Committee recommendations during the current session;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor including reasons for deviation from its promise to farmers bodies in 2021?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) to (d): The Government is committed that the full benefits of MSP reach the farmers of the country. Hence a committee has been constituted by the government to provide MSP to the farmers of the country and to give suggestions on making the system more effective and transparent. Additionally, the Committee was asked to examine the feasibility of giving greater autonomy to the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) and ways to make it more scientific; and with a view to ensuring higher prices, mandate has also been given to give suggestions for strengthening the agricultural marketing system as per the changing needs of the country. This committee is also working on the topics of natural farming and crop diversification. The meetings of this committee are being organized regularly and since July 22, 2022, 6 meetings have been held till now. Additionally, 35 meetings of various sub-committees have also been held on the above subjects.

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