

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2344
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2024

COTTON PRODUCTION IN RAJASTHAN

2344. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government has got the district-wise details of the cotton producing regions in Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government intends to provide relief to the farmers by increasing the Minimum Support Price for cotton procurement in view of the excessive input cost of cotton production;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the reasons for not starting the operation of the sub-branch office under the Cotton Corporation of India sanctioned in Nagaur Parliamentary Constituency of Rajasthan;
- (f) the person/authority responsible behind delay in starting the said office alongwith the steps taken by the Government to start the operations of the above office in Nagaur at the earliest;
- (g) the details thereof;
- (h) whether the Government proposes to set up a textile industry in Nagaur Parliamentary Constituency in view of the good cotton production in the said area; and
- (i) if so, the details thereof?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री पबित्र मार्घेरिता)
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a) & (b): As per the third advance estimates by Directorate of Cotton Development, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare for cotton year 2023-24 (Oct – Sept), the district wise details of cotton producing regions in the State of Rajasthan are annexed.

(c) & (d): Every year Minimum Support Price (MSP) for cotton are fixed based on the formula of 1.5 times of cost of production (A2+FL) so as to ensure reasonably fair remuneration i.e. at least 50% over cost of production to farmers, by the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Government of India on the recommendations of Commission on Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) to protect farmers in the country. During cotton season 2023-24 Government of India had increased MSP of cotton upto 10.03% as compared to the previous year. The same has further been increased upto 7.5% for ensuing cotton season 2024-25.

MSP rates declared for cotton season 2023-24 and 2024-25 are as under:

Crop Year	Medium Staple Cotton (Staple length 24.5 mm -25.5 mm & Miconaire 4.3 - 5.1)			Long Staple Cotton (Staple length 29.5 mm -30.5 mm & Miconaire 3.5 - 4.3)		
	MSP rate in (Rs./quintal)	Increase in MSP		MSP rate in (Rs./quintal)	Increase in MSP	
		Rs./qntl	%		Rs./qntl	%
2023-24	6620	540	8.88%	7020	640	10.03%
2024-25	7121	501	7.57%	7521	501	7.14%

Source: Directorate of Economics and Statistics

(e) to (g): Being a Central Nodal Agency for undertaking MSP operation of cotton, CCI has opened four procurement centres viz. Nagaur, Merta City, Jayal and Ladnu to sustain the interests of cotton farmers of Nagaur Parliamentary Constituency.

(h) & (i): The Government provides conducive environment for the industry and private entrepreneurs to set-up cotton textile industries through policy initiatives and schemes. The Government has been assisting entrepreneurs in setting up cotton textile industry under various programmes and schemes such as Pradhan Mantri Mega Integrated Textile Regions and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks, Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme, Samarth, National Technical Textiles Mission (NTTM) to boost infrastructure development, increase exports, capacity building and promoting research and development in textile sector. The benefit of these schemes is uniformly available to all textile companies situated in various clusters across the country including Nagaur Parliamentary Constituency.

District wise details of cotton producing regions in Rajasthan for cotton season 2023-24:

S.No	DISTRICT	COTTON		
		Area (in hectares)	Production (in bales of 170 kg each)	Yield (in Kg/hectare)
1.	Ajmer	9,654	32,989	581
2.	Alwar	51,130	1,49,087	496
3.	Banswara	13,974	60,186	732
4.	Barmer	43	112	444
5.	Bharatpur	3,597	9,929	469
6.	Bhilwara	34,005	1,08,538	543
7.	Bikaner	64,311	1,73,253	458
8.	Bundi	11	29	444
9.	Chittor	5,682	17,663	528
10.	Churu	25,004	76,116	518
11.	Dausa	1	3	444
12.	Dungarpur	332	867	444
13.	Ganganagar	2,99,043	7,99,197	454
14.	Hanumangarh	2,52,982	5,39,653	363
15.	Jaipur	160	526	559
16.	Jaisalmer	800	2,089	444
17.	Jalore	1,110	3,529	540
18.	Jhunjhunu	20,949	56,197	456
19.	Jodhpur	1,06,412	2,67,465	427
20.	Karauli	5	13	442
21.	Nagaur	89,761	2,48,782	471
22.	Pali	15,405	48,972	540
23.	Pratapgarh	1,383	1,919	236
24.	Rajsamand	2,301	8,787	649
25.	Sikar	108	282	444
26.	Sirohi	2,672	7,587	483
27.	Tonk	296	773	444
28.	Udaipur	2,659	6,367	407
Total		10,03,790	26,20,910	Average 444
