

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

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 301
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 17TH DECEMBER, 2024

PER CAPITA EARNING OF FARMERS

*301. SHRI ANAND BHADAURIA:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that per capita earning of farmers in the country is lower than the minimum wages prescribed;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the details of per capita income of farmers in the country during the years 2023 and 2024, State and year-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)

- (a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF LOK SABHA
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REGARDING PER CAPITA EARNING OF FARMERS.**

(a) to (c): The average monthly income of agricultural households in the country is periodically estimated through the “Situation Assessment Survey (SAS) of Agricultural Households”, conducted by the National Statistics Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI). As per the NSS 77th round of the Survey (January, 2019 – December, 2019) with reference to the agricultural year July, 2018- June, 2019 in the rural areas of the country, the average monthly income per agricultural household from various sources is estimated at Rs. 10, 218/- per month. Since the last survey on income of agricultural households was conducted in 2019, the extent of average monthly income per agricultural households during the year 2023 and 2024 is not available.

Government of India's is committed to enhance the welfare of farmers and making agriculture more remunerative. To this end, it has implemented various policies, reforms, developmental programs, and schemes aimed at improving farmer incomes which includes Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN), Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY), Fixing of Minimum Support Price (MSP) at one-and-a half times the cost of production, Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF), Formation and Promotion of 10,000 Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA), Modified Interest Subvention Scheme (MISS), National Bee Keeping and Honey Mission (NBHM), Agri Fund for Start-Ups & Rural Enterprises' (AgriSURE), Integrated Scheme for Agriculture Marketing - National Agriculture Market (ISAM eNAM), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), among others.

These initiatives have significantly increased farmers' income during the last five years. However, as the updated data on average monthly income per agricultural households for the years 2023 and 2024 is not available, it is not possible to make a comparison with prescribed minimum wages at present.
