GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1238 ANSWERED ON 03/12/2024

EXTENDING MSP TO TEA AND COFFEE COMMODITIES

1238. SHRI RAJA A:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether representations are received for extending Minimum Support Price (MSP) to crops like tea and coffee, in the interest of plantation growers and sustainability of the industry, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereto; and
- (b) whether MSP would be printed to tea, coffee, etc., to prevent cartelization because of which only the middlemen flourish and tea and coffee industry suffers and if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्रालय में मंत्री (श्री पीयूष गोयल)

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) Representations were received for inclusion of crops of Tea and Coffee under Minimum Support Price (MSP). However, Government of India presently fixes Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 22 mandated agricultural crops on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) after considering the views of State Governments and Central Ministries/Departments concerned along with other relevant factors. The mandated crops for MSP are paddy, jowar, bajra, maize, ragi, tur(arhar), moong, urad, groundnut, sunflower seed, soyabean, sesamum, nigerseed, cotton, wheat, barley, gram, lentil(masur), rapeseed/mustard, safflower, jute and copra.
