

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3607
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 17th DECEMBER, 2024

MINIMUM SUPPORT PRICES FOR KHARIF CROPS

3607. SHRI BASTIPATI NAGARAJU:

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

- (a) the details of the list of agriculture commodities for which Minimum Support Prices (MSP) are announced by the Government under kharif seasons every year;
- (b) the details of the list of agriculture commodities for which Price Support operations are carried out by the Government to provide MSP to the farmers under kharif season;
- (c) the details of the list of nodal agencies of the Government that are nominated to carry out the Price Support operations for all agriculture commodities under kharif seasons; and
- (d) whether the Price Support operations policy of the Government permits the processing of agricultural commodities procured at MSP rates from the farmers, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a): Every year, Government fixes Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 22 mandated agricultural crops including 14 Kharif crops viz. paddy, jowar, bajra, maize, ragi, tur (arhar), moong, urad, groundnut, soyabean, sunflower, sesamum, nigerseed and cotton for the country as a whole, 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 and other relevant factors.

(b) to (d): Government procures cereals and coarse cereals through Food Corporation of India (FCI) and other designated State Agencies to provide price support to the farmers. Procurement of pulses and oilseeds is done under Price Support Scheme under Umbrella Scheme of Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA), in consultation with the concerned State Government as and when market price of these produce fall below the MSP. Procurement agencies under PM-AASHA Scheme are National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd (NAFED) and National Co-operative Consumers' Federation of India Ltd. (NCCF). Cotton is procured by Government at MSP through Cotton Corporation of India (CCI).
