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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4353 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH AUGUST, 2025

PER CAPITA INCOME OF FARMERS

4353. SHRI ANAND BHADAURIA:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state;

- (a) whether it is a fact that increase in income of farmers in the country is slower compared to increase in cost of production during the last five years, if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor:
- (b) the details of per capita income of farmers per day in 2019-20 and 2024-25;
- (c) the details of cost of production of various grains per quintal in 2019-20 and 2024-25, grainwise;
- (d) whether slow increase in per capita income in comparison to cost of production is the main reason for not achieving the aim to double farmers' income by 2022; and
- (e) if so, the latest fresh corrective steps in this regard proposed by the Government?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) to (c): The projected cost of production has been increasing over the years, however, the Government in the Union Budget for 2018-19 had announced to keep MSPs at levels of one and half times of the cost of production. Accordingly, Government had consistently increased MSPs for all mandated Kharif, Rabi and other Commercial crops with a minimum margin of 50 percent over all India weighted average cost of production from the year 2018-19 onwards. The details of the MSPs and Projected Cost of Production during the last five years are given at **Annexure I.**

The Government's price policy is to ensure remunerative prices to farmers by offering their produce at MSP. However, farmers are free to sell their produce to the Government procurement agencies at MSP or in the open market, whichever is advantageous to them.

The National Sample Survey Office (NSSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) conducted a Situation Assessment Survey (SAS) of Agricultural Households during NSS 77th round (January, 2019 – December, 2019) with reference to the agricultural year July, 2018- June, 2019 in the rural areas of the country. According to these surveys, the estimated average monthly income per agricultural household increased to ₹10,218 in 2018-19 (NSS 77th round) from ₹6,426 in 2012-13 (NSS 70th round). Since, the last survey was conducted in 2019, the extent of average monthly income per agricultural household during the year 2024-25 is not readily available.

However, as per NSSO Survey on Household Consumption Expenditure 2023-24, All India average monthly per capita consumption expenditure of rural sector has increased from Rs. 1,430 in 2011-12 (NSS 68th round) to Rs. 4,122 in 2023-24.

(d) & (e): The Government implements various schemes/programmes to enhance overall income of farmers and remunerative returns in the agriculture sector, which are given at **Annexure II**. The Government has substantially enhanced the budget allocation of Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) to Rs. 1,27,290.16 crore BE during 2025-26 from Rs. 21,933.50 crore BE during 2013-14.

Further, The Ministry has identified the following integrated strategies for enhancing farmers income and comprehensive growth of agriculture sector:

- (i) Increase crop production/ productivity,
- (ii) Reduce cost of production,
- (iii) Better price realization of farmers' produce to enhance their incomes.
- (iv) Agricultural diversification,
- (v) Developing post-harvest value addition,
- (vi) Adaptation to climate change for sustainable agriculture and mitigate against crop losses.

Implementation of the schemes/programmes by the Government has yielded remarkable results towards augmenting the income of the farmers. As part of the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav', Indian Council on Agricultural Research (ICAR) has released a compilation of success stories of 75,000 farmers who have increased their income more than two times.

Annexure I

Cost of Production and Minimum Support Price (MSP) (Marketing year wise) (Rs./Quintal)

SI.	Commodity	KMS 2021-22		KMS 2022-23		KMS 2023-24		KMS 2024-25		KMS 2025-26	
No.	KHARIF CROPS	Cost	MSP								
1	PADDY (Common)	1293	1940	1360	2040	1455	2183	1533	2300	1579	2369
	PADDY (Grade A) ^		1960		2060	_	2203		2320		2389
2	JOWAR (Hybrid)	1825	2738	1977	2970	2120	3180	2247	3371	2466	3699
	JOWAR (Maldandi) ^		2758		2990		3225		3421		3749
3	BAJRA	1213	2250	1268	2350	1371	2500	1485	2625	1703	2775
4	RAGI	2251	3377	2385	3578	2564	3846	2860	4290	3257	4886
5	MAIZE	1246	1870	1308	1962	1394	2090	1447	2225	1508	2400
6	ARHAR(Tur)	3886	6300	4131	6600	4444	7000	4761	7550	5038	8000
7	MOONG	4850	7275	5167	7755	5705	8558	5788	8682	5845	8768
8	URAD	3816	6300	4155	6600	4592	6950	4883	7400	5114	7800
9	COTTON (Medium Staple)	3817	5726	4053	6080	4411	6620	4747	7121	5140	7710
	COTTON (Long Staple)^		6025		6380		7020		7521		8110
10	GROUNDNUT	3699	5550	3873	5850	4251	6377	4522	6783	4842	7263
11	SUNFLOWER SEED	4010	6015	4113	6400	4505	6760	4853	7280	5147	7721
12	SOYABEAN	2633	3950	2805	4300	3029	4600	3261	4892	3552	5328
13	SESAMUM	4871	7307	5220	7830	5755	8635	6178	9267	6564	9846
14	NIGERSEED	4620	6930	4858	7287	5156	7734	5811	8717	6358	9537

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SI. No.	Commodity	RMS 2021-22		RMS 2022-23		RMS 2023-24		RMS 2024-25		RMS 2025-26		
	RABI CROPS	Cost	MSP									
15	WHEAT	960	1975	1008	2015	1065	2125	1128	2275	1182	2425	
16	BARLEY	971	1600	1019	1635	1082	1735	1158	1850	1239	1980	
17	GRAM	2866	5100	3004	5230	3206	5335	3400	5440	3527	5650	
18	MASUR (LENTIL)	2864	5100	3079	5500	3239	6000	3405	6425	3537	6700	
19	RAPESEED/MUSTAR D	2415	4650	2523	5050	2670	5450	2855	5650	3011	5950	
20	SAFFLOWER	3551	5327	3627	5441	3765	5650	3807	5800	3960	5940	
	Commodity	2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26		
	COMMERCIAL CROPS	Cost	MSP									
21	JUTE	2832	4500	2959	4750	3095	5050	3237	5335	3387	5650	
	Commodity	20	2021		2022		2023		2024		2025	
	COMMERCIAL CROPS	Cost	MSP									
22	COPRA (Milling)	6805	10335	6974	10590	7153	10860	7350	11160	7721	11582	
	COPRA (Ball) [^]		10600		11000		11750		12000		12100	

[^] Cost data are not available for Paddy (Grade A), Jower (Maldandi), Cotton (Long staple) & Copra (ball).

KMS-Kharif Marketing Season, RMS-Rabi Marketing Season

Various Schemes/Programmes of Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

- 1. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)
- 2. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY)
- 3. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)/ Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS)
- 4. Modified Interest Subvention Scheme (MISS)
- 5. Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)
- 6. Formation and Promotion of 10,000 new Farmer Producers Organizations (FPOs)
- 7. National Bee Keeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)
- 8. Namo Drone Didi
- 9. National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)
- 10. Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA)
- 11. Agri Fund for Start-Ups & Rural Enterprises' (AgriSURE)
- 12. Per Drop More Crop (PDMC)
- 13. Sub-Mission on Agriculture Mechanization (SMAM)
- 14. Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)
- 15. Soil Health & Fertility (SH&F)
- 16. Rainfed Area Development (RAD)
- 17. Agroforestry
- 18. Crop Diversification Programme (CDP)
- 19. Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension (SMAE)
- 20. Sub-Mission on Seed and Planting Material (SMSP)
- 21. National Food Security and Nutrition Mission (NFSNM)
- 22. Integrated Scheme for Agriculture Marketing (ISAM)
- 23. Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)
- 24. National Mission on Edible Oils (NMEO)-Oil Palm
- 25. National Mission on Edible Oils (NMEO)-Oilseeds
- 26. Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region
- 27. Digital Agriculture Mission
- 28. National Bamboo Mission
