

been included under National Food Security Mission (NFSM). 12 districts namely Ajmer, Jaipur, Alwar, Jalore, Barmer, Jhunjhunu, Bhilwara, Jodhpur, Bikaner, Nagaur, Churu, Sikar are covered under coarse cereals component of NFSM.

(b) As per operational guidelines of NFSM, districts covering 70% of the total coarse cereals area including maize of state have been included under coarse cereals component of NFSM.

#### **MSP for Rajasthan specific crops**

†1379. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA:

SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to announce Minimum Support Price (MSP) for the specific crops of the State of Rajasthan viz. Gwar, Moth, Cuminseeds, Garlic, Isabgol, Castonseeds, Aloe Vera and Heena;

(b) if so, by when, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the criteria being followed to determine the Minimum Support Price and the basis for outlining the criteria, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Government does not fix separate MSP for State specific crops.

(c) While determining the MSP, various factors are taken into consideration, such as; cost of production, overall demand-supply, domestic and international prices, inter-crop price parity, likely effect of price policy on rest of the economy and rational utilization of natural resources like land and water, so as to evolve in a balanced and integrated price structure in keeping with the overall needs of the economy and with due regard to the interests of producers and consumers.

#### **Shrinking of agriculture land**

1380. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether agricultural land is shrinking in the urban and semi-urban areas across the country due to diversion of such land for non-agricultural purposes, if so, the details thereof during the last two years; and

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.