

**Implementation of PMFBY**

4003. SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total budgetary allocation under crop insurance scheme during 2016-17;
- (b) the total number of farmers registered under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) during 2016-17;
- (c) the total number of farmers registered under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana during 2016-17 in the States of North Eastern Region; and
- (d) the total amount of premium paid to Government by farmers during 2016-17?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA): (a) Total Budget Estimates for crop insurance schemes during 2016-17 was ₹ 5501.15 crore which was subsequently revised to ₹ 13240.04 crore.

(b) to (d) As per tentative estimates 390 lakh farmers (including 0.62715 lakh farmers in North Eastern Region) and about 173 lakh farmers (including 0.2305 lakh farmers in North Eastern Region) during Kharif 2016 and Rabi 2016-17 seasons respectively have been registered/covered under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) and Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS) in the country. Further, as per available data approximately ₹ 4245 crore have been collected as farmers share in premium by insurance companies during 2016-17 under these schemes.

**Decline in transaction in APMCs**

4004. SHRI K. T. S. TULSI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any instances have been reported in the country in the last three months, where transactions in Agricultural Produce Market Committees have declined drastically and farmers have been hit by market prices falling below Minimum Support Price (MSP); and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA): (a) and (b) Usually, the transactions in mandi increase with the harvest of crop which gradually decline when the farmers have sold out their produce by and large. As per data reported on

AGMARKNET portal, the arrival trend of important commodities has shown some mixed trend in the last three months depending upon their harvesting time. The details of monthly arrival and price trend of important commodities as reported on AGMARKNET portal are given in Statement (See below).

Below Minimum Support Price (MSP) alert is auto circulated from the AGMARKNET portal to the concerned authorities for taking remedial measures. Central Government proactively monitors the situation to safeguard the interest of farmers.

### **Statement**

#### *Details of Arrival and Monthly Price Trends of Important Commodities of last three months*

Commodity	Monthly Arrival trend (Arrivals in MT)			MSP and Monthly Price Trend (Monthly Average Modal Prices in ₹/Qtl.)			
	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	MSP	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17
Paddy (Dhan)	46,89,995	14,94,711	9,30,865	1470	1,826	1,916	1,932
Wheat	4,54,550	4,93,309	16,79,626	1625	2,015	1,925	1,908
Maize	6,61,055	4,35,030	3,60,198	1365	1,490	1,490	1,503
Soyabean	6,99,805	4,63,071	3,07,056	2775	3,062	3,025	3,040
Groundnut	1,34,456	1,26,145	1,05,441	4220	5,015	4,907	5,116
Mustard	93,341	2,18,886	7,17,944	3700	4,523	3,954	3,866
Onion	12,78,890	11,94,752	10,92,131		1,302	1,211	1,115
Potato	13,37,770	11,45,001	15,09,064		1,009	862	746
Tomato	2,35,326	1,98,815	2,01,982		1,294	1,177	1,205

Source: AGMARKNET portal.

### **Committee for Doubling Farmer's Income**

4005. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has set up a committee to achieve the target of doubling the income of farmers by 2022;

(b) if so, the details thereof, along with the details of the membership of the committee; and

(c) the details of the functions and targets of the committee along with proposed timelines?