

(e) whether Government has taken any decision on the request of the Government of Rajasthan; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR): (a) and (b) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to bring Rajasthan specific crops such as cluster bean, moth, cowpea, cumin, coriander, garlic, isabgol, castor, aloe vera and mehandi to bring within the ambit of Minimum Support Price (MSP) or Fair Remunerative Price (FRP). Government presently fixes MSP for 22 mandated agricultural crops *viz.* paddy, jowar, bajra, maize, ragi, arhar, moong, urad, groundnut, soyabean, sunflower, sesamum, nigerseed, cotton, wheat, barley, gram, masur (lentil), rapeseed/mustard, safflower, jute and copra and Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) for sugarcane 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. In addition, MSP for Toria and de-husked Coconut are also fixed on the basis of MSPs of rapeseed/mustard and copra respectively. For agricultural and horticultural commodities which are perishable in nature and are not covered under the Price Support Scheme, Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) is implemented to protect the growers of these commodities from making distress sale in the event of bumper crop during the peak arrival period when the prices tend to fall below cost of production.

(c) to (f) There is no request received from Government of Rajasthan to bring any crops within the ambit of MSP or FRP.

Average income of farmers

2898. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of per capita average monthly income of farmers in the country during 2018 and 2019, State-wise;

(b) whether any survey to ascertain the average income of farmers in the country has been conducted during the last two years;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps Government has taken to ensure comfortable income for farmers?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR): (a) to (c) The average monthly income of agricultural households in the country is estimated by National Statistical Office (NSO) through the 'Situation Assessment Survey of Agricultural Households' conducted from time to time. The last such Survey was conducted by NSO during its 70th round with reference to the agricultural year July 2012-June 2013. As per the Survey results, the average monthly income per agricultural household from all sources is estimated to be ₹ 6,426/-. State-wise average monthly income per agricultural household is given in the Statement (*See below*). No such survey to ascertain the average monthly income of farmers in the country has been conducted during the last two years.

(d) Some of the major schemes being implemented by the Government to ensure higher income for farmers include, Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY), Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), Soil Health Card, Neem Coated Urea, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), National Agriculture Market scheme (e-NAM), Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), National Bamboo Mission, Blue Revolution, Rashtriya Gokul Mission, etc.

In addition, under the Doubling of Farmers' Income initiative, concerted effort for aligning all these schemes with the objective of doubling farmers' income by 2022 has been made.

Statement

Average Monthly Income per Agricultural Household as per 'Situation Assessment Survey of Agricultural Households 2013'

State	Average Monthly Income (in Rupees)
1	2
Andhra Pradesh	5979
Arunachal Pradesh	10869
Assam	6695
Bihar	3558
Chhattisgarh	5177

1	2
Gujarat	7926
Haryana	14434
Himachal Pradesh	8777
Jammu and Kashmir	12683
Jharkhand	4721
Karnataka	8832
Kerala	11888
Madhya Pradesh	6210
Maharashtra	7386
Manipur	8842
Meghalaya	11792
Mizoram	9099
Nagaland	10048
Odisha	4976
Punjab	18059
Rajasthan	7350
Sikkim	6798
Tamil Nadu	6980
Telangana	6311
Tripura	5429
Uttarakhand	4701
Uttar Pradesh	4923
West Bengal	3980
Group of UTs	8568
ALL-INDIA	6426

Note: Income includes salary/wages, net receipt from cultivation, net receipt from farming of animals and net receipt from non-farm business.

Source: NSO