### **MSP for Agro Products**

### 1916. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have committed to the provision of Minimum Support Prices for all important agro products in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of some important agro products and their respective minimum support prices being given to them;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the support prices differ in different States for a particular product;
- (d) if so, what steps Government propose to take to stop these anomalies; and
- (e) what is the financial and organisational arrangement to implement the support price mechanism so that the peasantry may get the benefit out of it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) The Government fixes each season the minimum support price (MSP) of major agricultural commodities of Fair Average Quality (FAQ) standards and organises purchase operations through public and cooperative agencies *viz.*, Food Corporation of India (FCI) — (paddy, wheat and coarse grains); Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) — (Cotton); Jute Corporation of India (JCI) — (Jute); National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Limited (NAFED) — (Pulses & Oilseeds) and Tobacco Board (tobacco). A statement showing the MSPs fixed for major agricultural commodities of 1999-2000 and 2000-01 is enclosed. (*see* below)

- (c) and (d) The MSPs fixed by the Government for major agricultural commodities are uniform for the whole country and hence do not differ in different States.
- (e) The public and cooperative agencies undertake procurement operations of different agricultural commodities and losses if any, incurred by them are reimbursed by the Government.

## **Statement**

# Minimum Support Prices

(Rs. per quintal)

O         2000         01           1. Paddy         Common         490         510           2. Coarse Cereals (Jowar, Bajra & Ragi)         415         445           3. Maize         415         445           4. Wheat         580         580           5. Barley         430         6           6. Gram         1015         7           7. Arhar         1105         1200           8. Moong         1105         1200           9. Urad         1105         1200           10. Sugarcane @         56.10         59.50           11. Cotton         F-414/H-777         1575 ++ 1625+           12. Groundnut-in-shell         1155         1220           13. Jute         750         785           14. Rapeseed/Mustard         1100            15. Sunflower Seed         1155         1170           16. Sovbean         Black         755         775           Yellow         845         865           17. Sunflower         1100            18. Toria         1065            19. Tobacco (VFC)         Black Soil (F2 Grade)         25.00	S.N	Commodity	Variety	1999-	2000-
1. Paddy       Common       490       510         2. Coarse Cereals (Jowar, Bajra & Ragi)       415       445         3. Maize       415       445         4. Wheat       580       580         5. Barley       430       66         6. Gram       1015       70         7. Arhar       1105       1200         8. Moong       1105       1200         9. Urad       1105       1200         10. Sugarcane @       56.10       59.50         11. Cotton       F-414/H-777       1575 ++ 1625 +         12. Groundnut-in-shell       1155       1220         13. Jute       750       785         14. Rapeseed/Mustard       1100       —         15. Sunflower Seed       1155       1170         16. Soybean       Black       755       775         Yellow       845       865         17. Sunflower       1100       —         18. Toria       1065       —         19. Tobacco (VFC)       Black Soil (F2 Grade)       25.00       —         (Rs. per kg.)       Light Soil (L2 Grade)       27.00       —         20. Copra       Milling       3100       3250					
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<sup>@</sup> Statutory Minimum Price linked to a basic recovery of 8.5 per cent with proportionate premium for every 0.1 per cent increase in recovery above that level.

<sup>++</sup> For J-34 variety also.

## Drought/famine condition in Rajasthan, Gujarat and Chhattlsgarh

1917. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an assessment has been made of the prevailling drought/famine condition in the States of Rajasthan, Gujarat and Chhattisgarh, due to scanty rains;
  - (b) if so, the details of the assessment;
  - (c) relief measures undertaken to fight the present grim conditions; and
- (d) long term durable measures envisaged to overcome such unfortunate calamities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) and (b) As per available information, 9 districts in Chhattisgarh received deficient rainfall during South-West monsoon period resulting in drought like situation affecting population of 69 lakhs, 31 districts in Rajasthan are reported to be affected by drought affecting a population of 32 million and 169 taluks in 10431 villages in 21 districts of Gujarat are facing drought like situation.

- (c) The situation in the drought affected States are regularly monitored. In addition to release of Central share of Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) for 2000-01, funds have been released under schemes/ programmes implemented by different Central Ministreis/ Departments. A Drought Contingency Action Plan has been circulated to the concerned State Governments and they have been requested to take necessary action for timely initiation of drought mitigation measures.
- (d) The Ministry of Rural Development are implementing the Drought Prone Areas Programme which aims at drought proofing in identified areas through regeneration of natural resource base. 32 blocks in 11 districts in Rajasthan, 47 blocks in 13 districts in Gujarat and 29 blocks in 8 districts in Chhattisgarh are covered under the programme.