

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 359
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09/12/2022

MSP FOR CROPS

359. SHRI RANDEEP SINGH SURJEWALA:

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

(a) whether Government is providing Minimum Support Price (MSP) according to the Swaminathan Committee Report (Cost+50 per cent) announced recently for the Rabi Marketing Season 2023- 24;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government seeks to provide bonus on Wheat/Paddy/Other crops in addition to the MSP and whether there is a ban on giving bonus by Central/State Governments?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): One of the recommendations of National Commission of Farmers (NCF) set up under the Chairmanship of Prof. M.S. Swaminathan was that, Minimum Support Price (MSP) should be at least 50 percent more than the weighted average cost of production.

Accordingly, the Government in its Union Budget for 2018-19 had announced the predetermined principle to keep MSP at a level of one and half times of the cost of production. Accordingly, Government has increased the MSP for all mandated Kharif, Rabi and other commercial crops with a return of atleast 50 per cent over all India weighted average cost of production from the agricultural year 2018-19 onwards. In line with the same principle, Government has announced increase in MSP for all mandated Rabi crops of year 2022-23. MSP for Rabi crops of year 2022-23 is given at **Annex**.

The objective of the MSP is to ensure remunerative prices to the growers for their produce and farmers have the option to sell their produce to the government agencies or in the open market as is advantageous to them.

Annexure

Annex referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 359 due for reply on 09.12. 2022

Minimum Support Price of Rabi Crops of 2022-23

Sl. No.	Commodity	MSP (in ₹ per quintal)
1	WHEAT	2125
2	BARLEY	1735
3	GRAM	5335
4	MASUR (LENTIL)	6000
5	RAPESEED & MUSTARD	5450
6	SAFFLOWER	5650
