

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO. 134**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06/12/2024

**DECLINE IN INCOME OF FARMERS**

\*134. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN:

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

(a) whether Government is aware that income of farmers has fallen considerably in comparison to their income in 2013-14 due to increase in cost of production and slow increase in Minimum Support Price (MSP) of their crops; and

(b) if not, the details of cost of production taken into consideration for determining MSP of wheat, paddy and pulses by Commission for Agricultural Cost and Prices (CACP) during 2013-14 and 2023-24 and 2024-2025, item-wise and year-wise along with the MSP thereof, crop-wise and year-wise?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
(SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)

(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF RAJYA SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO 134 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 06/12/2024 REGARDING  
'DECLINE IN INCOME OF FARMERS'**

(a) & (b): No Sir. The Union Budget for 2018-19 had announced the pre-determined principle to keep Minimum Support Price (MSP) at levels of one and half times of the cost of production. Accordingly, Government had increased MSP for all mandated Kharif, Rabi and other Commercial crops with a minimum return of 50 percent over all India weighted average cost of production from year 2018-19 onwards. Farmers of the country are benefited from the successful implementation of increased MSP. The details of MSP of wheat, paddy and pulses (marketing season-wise), cost of production and increase in MSP over cost of production during 2013-14, 2023-24 and 2024-2025 are given at **Annexure**.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 134 due for reply on 06.12.2024

<b>MSP (marketing season-wise) and Cost of Production</b>													
<b>(₹/quintal)</b>													
Sl. No	KHARIF CROPS	2013-14				2023-24				2024-25			
		Cost	MSP	Increase in MSP over Cost		Cost	MSP	Increase in MSP over Cost		Cost	MSP	Increase in MSP over Cost	
				Absolute	Percentage			Absolute	Percentage			Absolute	Percentage
1	PADDY(COMMON)	961	1310	349	36.3	1455	2183	728	50.0	1533	2300	767	50.0
	<b>PULSES</b>												
1	ARHAR(TUR)	3090	4300	1210	39.2	4444	7000	2556	57.5	4761	7550	2789	58.6
2	MOONG	3775	4500	725	19.2	5705	8558	2853	50.0	5788	8682	2894	50.0
3	URAD	3144	4300	1156	36.8	4592	6950	2358	51.4	4883	7400	2517	51.6
Sl. No	RABI CROPS	2013-14				2023-24				2024-25			
		Cost	MSP	Increase in MSP over Cost		Cost	MSP	Increase in MSP over Cost		Cost	MSP	Increase in MSP over Cost	
				Absolute	Percentage			Absolute	Percentage			Absolute	Percentage
1	WHEAT	655	1350	695	106.2	1065	2125	1060	99.5	1128	2275	1147	101.7
	<b>PULSES</b>												
1	GRAM	1646	3000	1354	82.3	3206	5335	2129	66.4	3400	5440	2040	60.0
2	MASUR (LENTIL)	1879	2900	1021	54.3	3239	6000	2761	85.2	3405	6425	3020	88.7

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