

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

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 58
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29/11/2024

INCREASE IN MSP OF CROPS AND COST OF PRODUCTION

***58. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN:**

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

- (a) the details of increase in Minimum Support Price (MSP) of various crops and increase in the cost of their production during last three years and the current year till November, 2024, crop-wise, State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the details of difference in increase of MSP of various crops and their cost of productions, crop-wise, year-wise and State-wise;
- (c) the reasons as to why Government is not able to provide remunerative MSP resulting in farmers' suicide, particularly in Northern States; and
- (d) the number of farmers who have left agricultural profession due to non-remunerative MSP during 2023 and 2024, year-wise and State-wise?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO 58 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 29/11/2024 REGARDING 'INCREASE IN MSP OF CROPS AND COST OF PRODUCTION'.

(a) & (b): Every year, Government fixes Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) for 22 mandated agricultural crops for the country as a whole and not region or state-specific, based on the recommendations of Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP), after considering the views of State Governments and Central Ministries/Departments concerned. The details of year-wise and crop-wise increase in Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) of 22 mandated crops, cost of production and their difference from the year 2021-22 to 2024-25 are given at **Annexure**.

(c): The Union Budget for 2018-19 had announced the pre-determined principle to keep MSPs at levels of one and half times of the cost of production. Accordingly, Government had increased MSPs 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. The increased MSP has benefited farmers of the country including farmers of northern states.

Government's price policy is to ensure remunerative prices to farmers by offering to procure their produce at MSP. However, farmers are free to sell their produce to the Government procurement agencies at MSP or in the open market, whichever is advantageous to them

(d): Farmers of the country are benefited from the successful implementation of increased Minimum Support Prices (MSPs). During the year 2022-23 to 2023-24, total 3 Crore 20 Lakh farmers are benefitted and an amount of 5.10 Lakh Crore rupees paid to farmers.

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare has not conducted any survey to ascertain the number of farmers leaving agricultural profession.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 58 due for reply on 29.11.2024

MSP (marketing season-wise) and Cost of Production

(Rs. per quintal)

Sl. No.	KHARIF CROPS	2021-22		Difference (MSP-Cost)	2022-23		Difference (MSP-Cost)	2023-24		Difference (MSP-Cost)	2024-25		
		Cost	MSP		Cost	MSP		Cost	MSP		Cost	MSP	
1	PADDY(Common)	1293	1940	647	1360	2040	680	1455	2183	728	1533	2300	767
	PADDY (Grade A)^	-	1960		-	2060		-	2203		-	2320	
2	JOWAR (Hybrid)	1825	2738	913	1977	2970	993	2120	3180	1060	2247	3371	1124
	JOWAR (Maldandi)^	-	2758		-	2990	-	-	3225		-	3421	
3	BAJRA	1213	2250	1037	1268	2350	1082	1371	2500	1129	1485	2625	1140
4	RAGI	2251	3377	1126	2385	3578	1193	2564	3846	1282	2860	4290	1430
5	MAIZE	1246	1870	624	1308	1962	654	1394	2090	696	1447	2225	778
6	ARHAR(Tur)	3886	6300	2414	4131	6600	2469	4444	7000	2556	4761	7550	2789
7	MOONG	4850	7275	2425	5167	7755	2588	5705	8558	2853	5788	8682	2894
8	URAD	3816	6300	2484	4155	6600	2445	4592	6950	2358	4883	7400	2517
9	COTTON (Medium Staple)	3817	5726	1909	4053	6080	2027	4411	6620	2209	4747	7121	2374
	COTTON (Long Staple)^	-	6025		-	6380		-	7020		-	7521	
10	GROUNDNUT	3699	5550	1851	3873	5850	1977	4251	6377	2126	4522	6783	2261
11	SUNFLOWER SEED	4010	6015	2005	4113	6400	2287	4505	6760	2255	4853	7280	2427
12	SOYABEAN	2633	3950	1317	2805	4300	1495	3029	4600	1571	3261	4892	1631
13	SESAMUM	4871	7307	2436	5220	7830	2610	5755	8635	2880	6178	9267	3089
14	NIGERSEED	4620	6930	2310	4858	7287	2429	5156	7734	2578	5811	8717	2906

Annexure (cont...)

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 58 due for reply on 29.11.202

Sl. No.	<u>RABI CROPS</u>	2022-23			2023-24			2024-25			2025-26		
		Cost	MSP	Difference (MSP-Cost)									
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1	WHEAT	1008	2015	1007	1065	2125	1060	1128	2275	1147	1182	2425	1243
2	BARLEY	1019	1635	616	1082	1735	653	1158	1850	692	1239	1980	741
3	GRAM	3004	5230	2226	3206	5335	2129	3400	5440	2040	3527	5650	2123
4	MASUR (LENTIL)	3079	5500	2421	3239	6000	2761	3405	6425	3020	3537	6700	3163
5	RAPESEED/MUSTARD	2523	5050	2527	2670	5450	2780	2855	5650	2795	3011	5950	2939
6	SAFFLOWER	3627	5441	1814	3765	5650	1885	3807	5800	1993	3960	5940	1980

Sl. No.	<u>COMMERCIAL CROPS</u>	2021-22			2022-23			2023-24			2024-25		
		Cost	MSP	Difference (MSP-Cost)									
1	JUTE	2832	4500	1668	2959	4750	1791	3095	5050	1955	3237	5335	2098

		2021			2022			2023			2024		
		Cost	MSP	Difference (MSP-Cost)									
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2	COPRA (Milling)	6805	10335	3530	6974	10590	3616	7153	10860	3707	7350	11160	3810
	COPRA (Ball)^	-	10600		-	11000		-	11750		-	12000	

[^]Cost data are not separately compiled for Paddy (Grade A), Jower (Maldandi), Cotton (Long staple) and Copra (Ball).
