

QUESTION DETAILS

MINISTRY OF : AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 808

TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.06.2019

Review of schemes for doubling farmers income

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

(a) whether Government has extended Minimum Support Price (MSP) of all crops but in the absence of effective procurement infrastructure and market reforms, most agriculture commodities are selling 10 to 30 per cent below their floor prices or MSPs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has reviewed the performance of new schemes/ programmes implemented for doubling of farmers" income by 2022 and if so, the shortcomings noticed which create hindrance in doubling the farmers" income; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to alleviate these shortcomings and improve the quality of life of farmers, especially small and marginal farmers?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): Government fixes Minimum Support Price (MSP) of 24 notified Kharif and Rabi crops for every season. Adequate procurement infrastructure is available and effective procurement is undertaken to deal with the proposals of the States/UTs under the extant guidelines. Further, for market reforms, Government has formulated and released progressive and facilitative Model Acts “The ----- State / UT Agricultural Produce & Livestock Contract Farming and Services (Promotion & Facilitation) Act, 2018” in May, 2018 and “The Agricultural Produce and Livestock Marketing (Promotion & Facilitation) Act, 2017” in April 2017 for its adoption by States/UTs, in order to facilitate better market to the farmers.

(c) & (d): Review of the performance of the schemes is a continuous process. Government has reoriented agriculture sector by focusing on income centeredness. In order to realise net positive returns for the farmer, schemes as follows, are being promoted and implemented in a major way through the States/UTs viz:- Soil Health Card (SHC) scheme; Neem Coated Urea (NCU); Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY); Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana

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(PKVY); National Agriculture Market scheme (e-NAM); Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY); National Food Security Mission (NFSM); Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA); Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH); National Mission on Oilseeds & Oilpalm (NMOOP); National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA); National Mission on Agricultural Extension & Technology (NMAET) and Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY). In addition, schemes relating to tree plantation (Har Medh Par Ped), Bee Keeping, Dairy and Fisheries are also implemented. All these schemes are implemented to enhance production and productivity of agriculture and thereby enhance income of farmers. In addition to above schemes, to improve the quality of life of farmers, especially small and marginal farmers, Government has launched PM-KISAN.

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