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Title: Regarding the Minimum Support Price to be given to the farmers of Punjab.

***DR. AMAR SINGH (FATEHGARH SAHIB)** : Thank you, Speaker Sir. Today I will speak in Punjabi although generally I speak in Hindi.

Sir, yesterday, farmers in my constituency Fatehgarh Sahib blocked the national highway as a mark of protest. I got a lot of phone calls asking me to raise the issue of plight of farmers in Punjabi.

Sir, I urge upon the Central Government to listen to the hapless farmers of Punjab. Earlier, we used to import foodgrains. But, the farmers in Punjab brought the Green Revolution. We became surplus in food production. Step-motherly treatment must not be meted out to the farmers of Punjab. I urge the Government to talk to the farmers. Neither of the three ordinances mentions about MSP. Punjab's economy is dependent on agriculture. 60 to 70 thousand crore rupees are spent annually. Farmers, landless labourers, traders etc. will be badly affected. The state is marred by protests.

So, I urge upon the Central Government to stop the injustice being meted out to the farmers. Talk to the farmers. Give them remunerative MSP.

Thank you.