

(SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) Yes, Sir. The draft Pilot Crop Insurance scheme was discussed in the Chief Ministers' Conference held on 5th March, 1993.

(b) The discussion focused mainly on the ratio of risk sharing between Central and State Government, High rates of actuarial premia, coverage of all crops, reduction in unit areas and voluntary participation by farmers.

(c) Suggestions made in the Chief Minister Conference are being examined in consultation with General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC). GIC is also working out the operational modalities of the scheme. States have asked to select a district each for implementation of the pilot scheme and supply the yield data to GIC in respect of crops proposed for coverage.

Price Policy for Kharif Crops

*871 SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have increased the support price for Kharif crops to compensate

the increased prices of fertilizers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which the prices of the fertilizers as well as the support prices for the Rabi and Kharif crops were increased during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR) (a) and (b). The Price Policy for Kharif Crops of 1992-93 Season has been formulated keeping in view the changes in input prices and their impact on cost of production. The minimum support prices for Kharif Crops of 1992-93 Season have been raised substantially. The hike in per quintal minimum support price of Paddy is Rs. 40; Millets Rs. 35; Pulses Rs. 95; Groundnut-in-shell Rs. 105; Sunflower seed Rs. 130; soabean Rs. 80 and Raw Cotton Rs. 110.

(c) Statements showing; (a) minimum support prices of major agricultural commodities fixed by the Government during last 3 years and (b) retail prices of major fertilisers under Statutory Price Control are given in the Statement I & II attached.

STATEMENT

(Rs. per quintal)

S.No.	Commodity	Variety	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Paddy	Common Fine	205	230	270
		Fine	215	240	280
		Superfine	225	250	290
2.	Coarse Cereals	F.A.Q.	180	205	240
	(Jowar, Bajra & Ragi)				
3.	Maize	F.A.Q.	180	210	245
4.	Wheat	"	225	275\$	330\$
5.	Barley	"	200	210	260
6.	Gram	"	450	500	600
7.	Arhar	"	480	545	640
8.	Moong	"	480	545	640

(Rs. per quintal)

S.No.	Commodity	Variety	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
1	2	3	4	5	6
9.	Urad	"	480	545	640
10.	Sugarcane @	"	23.00	26.00	31.00
11.	Cotton	F-4114/H-777	620	695	800
12.	Groundnut-in-Shell	F.A.Q	580	645	750
13.	Jute	TD-5 Grade	320	375	400
14.	Rapesed/Mustard	F.A.Q.	500	670	760
15.	Sunflower Seed	"	600	670	800
16.	Soyabean	Black	350	395	475
17.	Safflower	F.A.Q.	575	640	720

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(Rs. per quintal)

S.No.	Commodity	Variety	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
1	2	3	4	5	6
18.	Toria	"	570	645	725
19.	Tobacco (Rs. per kg.)	V.F.C. F-2 L-2 Grade*	13.25 14.25	14.75 16.00	16.00 17.50
20.	Copra	F.A.Q. Ball F.A.Q.	1600/- -	1700/- 1850	

@ These prices are linked to a basic recovery of 8.5% with proportionate premium for every 0.1% increase above that 1 that level.

£ Black Soil

* Light Soil

For Calendar years 1990 and 1991 respectively.

\$ Including a Central bonus of Rs. 25.00 per quintal.

STATEMENT-II

PRICE WITH EFFECT FROM

S.No.	Name of Fertilizer	31.1.86	25.7.91	11.8.91	25.8.92
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Urea (46%)	350	3300	3060	2760
2.	Ammonium Sulphate (20.6%)	1650	- &		1920@
3.	Calcium Ammonium Nitrate (25%N)	1700	- &		080@
4.	Calcium Ammonium Nitrate (26%)	1770	- &		080@
5.	Muriate of Potash (60%K)	1300	1820	1700	&&
6.	Sulphate of Potash (50%K)	2100	-		&&
7.	Di-ammonium Phosphate (18:46:0)	3600	5040	4680	&&
8.	NPK (17:17:17)	2600	3640	3380	&&
9.	NPK (15:15:15)	2100	2940	2740	&&
10.	NPK (19:19:19)	2950	4140	3840	&&
11.	Ammonium Phosphate Sulphate (20:20:0)	2600	3640	3380	&&
12.	Nitro Phosphate (20:20:0)	2400	3360	3120	&&

S.No.	Name of Fertilizer	31.1.86	25.7.91	11.8.91	25.8.92
13.	Nitro Phosphate (23:23:0)	2930	4120	3800	&&
14.	Ammonium Phosphate Sulphate (16:20:20:0)	2930	3220	3000	&&
15.	Urea Amonium Phosphate	3050	4780	3960	&&
16.	Urea Ammonium Phosphate 28:20:0)	3050	4780	3960	&&
17.	NPK (14:28:14)	3050	4280q	q3960	&&
18.	NPK (14:35:14)	3400	4760	4420	&&
19.	NPK (10:26:26)	2950	1140	3840	&&
20.	NPK (12:32:16)	3250	4560	4220	&&
21.	Triple Super Phosphate (46%P205) Granular)	2600	3640	3380	&&
22.	Triple Super Phosphate (Powder)	2400	3360	3120	&&
23.	Single Super Phosphate (Powder) (11% P205)	820	1160	1030	&&
24.	Single Super Phosphate (Power) (16% P205)	950	1340	1240	&&

S.No.	Name of Fertilizer	31.1.86	25.7.91	11.8.91	25.8.92
25.	Single Super Phosphate	1100	1540	1440	8&
26.	Ammonium Chloride (25%N)	1700	-&		2000@
27.	Anhydrous Ammonia	3770	5280	4900	4420@
28.	Zincated Urea				3940

Note: The above price represent the maximum retail prices exclusive of sales tax and other local taxes

£ With effect from 19.2.91

& Taken out of Statutory Price Control w.e.f. 25.7.91

@ : Brought under Statutory Price Control w.e.f. 25.8.1992

& : Taken out of Statutory Price Control w.e.f. 25.8.92