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Scheme for development of spices in Andaman & Nicobar Islands during 1977-78 & 1978-79	(i) Progeny orchard of pepper, clove nutmeg & cinnamon 26 ha.	12·376 lakhs		
•	(ii) Production & distribution of plants:			
	Pepper —3 lakhs Clove —40,000 Nutmeg —40,000			
	(iii) Demonstration plots			
	Pepper — 150 Clove — 100 Nutmeg—100 ha.			
	(1v) Training of field staff.			

The Cardamom Board (Ministry of Commerce) is operating some schemes on carda mom development.

Procurment Price of Sugarcane And Paddy

4754. SHRI KUMARI ANANTHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the present procurement price of sugarcane, paddy etc, given to its growers,
- (b) whether any concrete recommendations have been given by the Agricultural Prices Commission to Government for a revision of the procurement price for the next season;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Union Government are proposing to convene a meeting

of the State Agricultural Ministers for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICUL-TURE AND IRRIGATION (SHRI SURJIT SINGH BARNALA): (a) Two statements are attached. (Statements I and II).

- (b) Recommendations of the Agricultural Prices Commission for the next season are awaited.
 - (c) Does not arise.
- (d) No, Sir. However, the views of the State Governments will be considered before taking final decisions on the recommendations of the A. P. C.

Statement I

Statement showing the present prices of paddy etc. given to the growers.

Commodity							_	Var	iety	Price (Rs./qtl.)		
I								2			3	
Paddy .		•	•		•	•	•	•	Coarse	FAQ	74.00	
* Rice		•	•	•		•		•	Charse	FAQ	117.00 to 126.00	
Jowar .					•					FAQ	74.00	

I	· —·							2	3
Bajra .	•	•			•		•	FAQ	74.00
• Maize .					•	•	•	FAQ	74·00
Ragi .					•		•	FAQ	74.00
@Wheat.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	FAQ for a	110.00 all varieties.

^{*}Prices fixed for 1976-77—Kharif marketing season.

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Statement II

Range of sugarcane price actually paid/being paid by factories at gate during 197-77, as per information furnished by them.

Stale											Range of Sugarcane price in Rs. per qtl.
U.P.					•	•					12·25 to 13·25
Bihar .											12.25@
West Bengal								٠,			12.50 to 14.50
Haryana .			•			•		•			13.00
Punjab .			•					•			13.25@@@
Assam .			•					•			11.00
R 2 ja8than						•					12: 25 to 14:25
Madh y a Prado	esh	•									12.00@@
Orissa .			•	•		•	•		•		8.50 to 13.00
Maharashtra		•	•				•	•		•	9.00* to 16.60*
Gujarat .				`•	•	•					9.00* to 14.co*
Karnataka					•						10.60* to 15.00*
Kerala .								•			13.00 to 13.30
Andhra Prade	sh							•		•	10.00 to 12.00
Tamil Nadu		•							•		8.50 to 11.70
Pondicherry				•		•		•			9. 50
Nagaland .	•			•	•	•	•	•	•		11.00
Goa .		•		•	•	•				•	12.00

[@]One factory Harinagar is paying Rs. 12.50 per qtl.

[@]Prices fixed for 1977-78-Rabi marketing season.

^{@@}One Coop, factory Morena is paying Rs. 13.50 per qtl.

^{@@@}Morinda factory has reported to be paying Rs. 11/- per qtl.

These are provisional ex-field prices being paid mostly by Ccc p. sugar factories.