

1	2	3	4	5
58	Helper . . . . .	5	1	—
59	Peon . . . . .	46	11	1
60	Farash . . . . .	18	7	1
61	Watchmen . . . . .	5	2	—
62	Record Holder . . . . .	—	—	—
63	Duftry . . . . .	2	1	1
64	Sweeper-cum-Farash . . . . .	1	1	—
65	Sweeper . . . . .	10	10	1

*Abbreviations :*

- R & P            :    Record & Publication
- O.R.             :    Oriental Records.
- Presn.          :    Preservation
- Genl.            :    General.

**Support Price for Wheat and Paddy**

5824. SHRI S. SINGARVADIVEL:  
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the  
cost of production of wheat per quin-  
tal is lower than the cost of produc-  
tion of paddy per quintal;

(b) whether it is also a fact that  
the support price given for wheat per  
quintal is higher than the cost of  
production of wheat per quintal;

(c) whether it is also a fact that  
the support price given for wheat per  
quintal is higher than the support  
price given for paddy per quintal;  
and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN  
THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
(SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) The procurement price of wheat  
per quintal is higher than the cost  
of production of wheat per quintal.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The support (procurement)  
prices for wheat and paddy (Rs. per  
quintal) for different crop years are  
given below:

	Wheat	Paddy
1975-76 . . . . .	105.00	74.00
1976-77 . . . . .	110.00	74.00
1977-78 . . . . .	112.50	77.00
1978-79 . . . . .	115.00	85.00
1979-80 . . . . .	117.00	95.00

**Sugarcane Price in Tamil Nadu**

5825. SHRI S. SINGARADIVEL:  
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE  
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the  
price of sugarcane in Tamil Nadu is  
the lowest; and

(b) what steps will be taken to in-  
crease the price in Tamil Nadu?