

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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MSP OF RICE

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request from Public Representatives has been received to increase Minimum Support Price (MSP) for rice to Rs.1,000; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Such requests have been received. However, based on the recommendations of Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for the year 2007-08 crop season was announced/fixed on 17th May, 2007 at Rs.645 per quintal for paddy (Common) and at Rs.675 per quintal for paddy (Grade A). Also, with a view to enhance procurement of paddy, Government had decided on 9th October, 2007 to pay an incentive bonus of Rs.50 per quintal over and above the MSP.