

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

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BASE PRICE OF EDIBLE OIL
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to keep the base price of edible oils unchanged;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the benefits likely to accrue to the farmers therefrom?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a),(b)&(c): There is no base price fixed for edible oils. However, in order that the farmers get remunerative prices, the Government fixes Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for major oilseeds. The Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for major oilseeds for the year 2009-10 are as under:

OILSEED MSP for 2009-10 (Rs. per Quintal)

Groundnut (in shell) 2100

Sunflower seed 2215

Soyabean (yellow) 1390

Rapeseed/mustard 1830