

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:517
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INCREASE IN MSP
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to increase the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of pulses, oil seeds, sugarcane in commensurate with the high support prices of rice and wheat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to review the minimum support price for Kharif crops; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Minimum Support Price (MSP) of selected crops are fixed every year based on the recommendations of Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), in consultation with States and Central Ministries. MSPs of various crops for 2008-09 season have already been announced. At present, there is no proposal to increase the Minimum Support Prices. The Statutory Minimum Price (SMP) of sugarcane for 2009-10 has been announced on 25th June, 2009 increasing the SMP of sugarcane from 81.18 per quintal to Rs.107.76 per quintal.

(c)&(d): The recommendations of CACP have been received for MSPs of Kharif crops of 2009-10 season and presently are under consideration of the Government.