

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MSP FOR WHEAT AND PULSES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has raised the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of wheat and pulses recently;
- (b) if so, the amount of increase as compared to the previous MSP;
- (c) the details of the formula adopted for determination of MSP;
- (d) whether the Government had taken the suggestions of the farmers' organizations into account while determining the MSP; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

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): The Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) of Wheat and Pulses for 2010-11 season have been increased over the respective MSPs for 2009-10 season. The increase in the MSPs of wheat and pulses for 2010-11 season is given below:

(Rs. per quintal)

Commodity 2009-10 2010-11 Increase in 2010-11

Wheat	1100	1120	20
Arhar (Tur)	2300	3000	700
Moong	2760	3170	410
Urad	2520	2900	380
Gram	1760	2100	340
Masur (Lentil)	1870	2250	380

For Kharif pulses of 2010-11 season, an additional incentive is also available at Rs.5/- per Kg for Tur, Urad and Moong sold to procurement agencies during the harvest/arrival period of 2 months.

(c) to (e): The MSPs are fixed, inter-alia, taking into account the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), the views of concerned State Governments and Central Ministries. The CACP, while formulating its recommendations on price policy considers, inter-alia, a number of factors which include suggestions received from farmers, cost of production, changes in input prices, input/output price parity, trends in market prices, demand and supply situation, inter-crop price parity, effect on general price level, effect on cost of living, etc.