

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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MSP FOR NON TIMBER FOREST PRODUCE
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has set up a Committee headed by an economist T. Haque to introduce Minimum Support Price (MSP) for non-timber forest produce;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Committee has submitted its report;
- (d) if so, the details of recommendations of the Committee; and
- (e) the follow-up action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MAHADEO SINGH KHANDELA)

- (a) & (b): As per the information received from Ministry of Panchayati Raj a Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. T. Haque had been setup to introduce Minimum Support Price for Minor Forest Produce.
- (c) & (d): The Committee in its report recommended that the Minimum Support Price for 14 Minor Forest Produces be fixed centrally through a National agency.
- (e): Necessary follow up action would be initiated after the recommendations of the Committee are considered and accepted by the Competent Authority.