

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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HIKE IN PRODUCTION COST OF AGRICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an increase in the production cost of agriculture due to excessive increase in the prices of chemical fertilisers during the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the alternative measures taken by the Government to give monetary compensation to the farmers;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to raise the support price in view of the increasing cost of agricultural production; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. There is an increase in the production cost of agriculture due to increase in prices of chemical fertilizers. The Government decides Minimum Support Prices of commodities on recommendation of Commission for Agriculture Costs and Prices which takes into account important factors including cost of production.