

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:838

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MSP FOR MINOR FOREST PRODUCTS

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**Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has envisaged a scheme to ensure Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Minor Forest Products (MFPs) ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the definition of MFPs and the products covered thereunder;
- (c) the manner in which the State agencies will buy these items directly from tribals without the involvement of middlemen;
- (d) the benefits accrued to the beneficiaries under the scheme so far; and
- (e) the mechanism put in place to monitor the scheme?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SMT. RANEE NARAH)

(a) to (e): On the recommendation of committee of Secretaries, Ministry of Panchayati Raj constituted a committee under the chairmanship of Dr. T. Haque on 23.08.2010 to suggest appropriate measures for implementation of provisions regarding Ownership, Price Fixation, Value Addition and Marketing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP). This committee recommended to have a scheme for MSP for MFP. However, details of the Scheme have not been finalized.