

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ONION IMPORT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the onion import move is likely to hit the farmers hard at the local level in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective steps being taken by the Government to ensure that onion producers get adequate remunerative prices for their produce?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR)

- (a): There is no move to import onions in the country in the current Kharif season.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): In the event of prices falling below cost of production/economic level, the Government implements Market Intervention Scheme on the recommendation of the States.