GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3194 ANSWERED ON:11.02.2014 JUTE FARMING Patel Shri Devji

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes formulated by the Government to encourage investment in jute farming in the country;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating to increase the Minimum Support Price of jute; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): The Government of India is implementing Mini Mission-II of Jute Technology Mission in 10 major jute growing states to promote jute farming in the country.

(b) & (c): In order to safeguard the interests of the jute growers and to provide remunerative price for their produce, the Government of India fixes Minimum Support Price (MSP) for raw jute taking into account the recommendations of CACP and the views of the State Governments as well as other relevant factors, which are considered important for fixation of support prices. MSP for TD-5 variety of Raw Jute has been fixed at Rs.2400 per quintal for the season 2014-15, which is 4.35% higher than the last season.