

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4747
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PROCUREMENT PRICE OF COPRA
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India (NAFED) has any proposal to revise the procurement price of copra;
- (b) if so, the present rate fixed by NAFED for procurement of copra per kg. from the farmers ensures remunerative price to them?
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to revise and fix support price of copra to Rs. 100/- per kg. from the current rate; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) & (b): Government of India fixes Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Copra taking into account the recommendations of Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) and the views of the State Governments as well as such other relevant factors which are considered important for fixation of support prices. NAFED procures Copra at Minimum Support Price fixed by the Government. The present MSP in respect of Fair & Average Quality of Milling Copra and Ball Copra is Rs.5250/- and Rs.5500/- per quintal, respectively.

(c): No, Madam.

(d): Question does not arise.