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Title: *hNeed to protect the interest of farming community particularly sugar-cane growers in Western Uttar Pradesh.*h

SHRI CHANDRA VIJAY SINGH (MORADABAD): Sir, we hear of farmers dying by committing suicide and other survivors living in dire straits in Southern India. This trend is going to hit the Northern belt if the Government does not formulate a viable agricultural policy soon. In Western Uttar Pradesh, farmers will soon be burning sugarcane – their main cash crop. The Government should ensure all mills pay their dues and arrears to farmers as soon as possible. Price of produce should be increased and measures taken on a war footing to propagate production of new cash crops to ensure survival of the agricultural community in Western Uttar Pradesh.