

Title: Need to declare support price of paddy in time.

SHRI BHAN SINGH BHAURA (BHATINDA): Madam, the recent distress sale of paddy by the farmers in Punjab has not only resulted in thousands of peasants in Punjab to undergo untold sufferings and misery but even some of them had to resort to suicide to escape the vagaries of the prevailing situations.

All this happened due to non-declaration of the support price by the Central Government in time. And even after the declaration of the support price and a monetary help package for the State, the various Government agencies could not come into the market for proper procurement of paddy.

Therefore, I urge upon the Government to find the reasons of these types of delay and adopt foolproof mechanisms so that in future these types of happenings do not take place. Thank you.