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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2975
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13TH MARCH, 2018

PROCUREMENT OF SOYABEAN

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE ढादुशादुआ एवं किसान कल्याण १/२/३/४/५/६ be pleased to state:

- (a) the annual average production of Soyabean in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the average production of soyabean has declined sharply in the country during the said period and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of Minimum Support Price (MSP) fixed by the Government for procurement of soyabean during the current year;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that the NAFED is not purchasing soyabean from the farmers from various parts of the country including Maharashtra due to low quality;
- (e) if so, the details of the facts along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to increase the soyabean production in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

ढादुशादुआ एवं किसान कल्याण १/२/३/४/५/६ (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) & (b): State/UT-wise details of production of soyabean during the last three years and the current year i.e. from 2014-15 to 2017-18 are given at **Annexure**.

The crop choices of farmers depend on weather conditions, rainfall situation, irrigation facilities, shift in area to other competing crops on account of expectation of better remuneration etc. The production of soyabean in the country during 2014-15 to 2017-18 has evinced a fluctuating trend.

(c): Government has fixed the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of soyabean at Rs.3050/- per quintal (including bonus of Rs. 200/- per quintal) for 2017-18.

(d) & (e): Government of India has issued guidelines for implementation of Price Support Scheme (PSS) in respect of Oilseeds, Pulses and Cotton whereby some responsibilities including publicity of PSS operations, exemptions of Mandi/State taxes, logistics arrangements including warehousing and transportation, making timely payment to farmers, finalization of incidental expenses and making arrangements for gunny bags etc. are assigned to the State Governments.

Accordingly, if it is anticipated that prices of oilseeds might rule below the declared MSP, States are required to send their proposal for commencements of procurement of oilseeds under PSS after fulfilling their assigned responsibilities.

National Agriculture Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd. (NAFED) has commenced procurement of FAQ stock of soyabean under Price Support Scheme (PSS) in the states of Maharashtra, Telangana & Rajasthan during Kharif 2017 Season. Details of procurement of soyabean made in these states during Kharif 2017 are as under:

| State | Quantity (Metric Tonnes) |
|--------------|---------------------------------|
| Maharashtra | 26283.85 |
| Telangana | 34724.15 |
| Rajasthan | 11620.62 |
| Total | 72628.62 |

(f): In order to increase production of oilseed crops including soyabean in the country, Government of India is implementing Mini-Mission-I (MM-I) under National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) since April, 2014. Further, modern technologies like improved varieties, ridge-furrow methods of planting, effective water management, application of bio-fertilizers including seed treatment with Rhizobium and mechanization, inter cropping of soyabean with cereals/pulses, eco-friendly plant protection measures are promoted through cluster demonstration.

Annexure

**Annexure referred to in reply to Part (a) and (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred
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State-wise Estimates of Production of Soyabean during 2014-15 to 2017-18

| STATES | Production ('000 Tonnes) | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|---------|---------|----------|
| | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18* |
| Andhra Pradesh | 2.0 | 2.0 | 3.2 | NA |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 2.6 | 2.8 | 4.4 | # |
| Chhattisgarh | 79.7 | 69.0 | 72.6 | 86.2 |
| Gujarat | 43.0 | 54.0 | 86.0 | 87.0 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Jharkhand | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.4 |
| Karnataka | 189.0 | 140.0 | 237.0 | 198.0 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 6353.0 | 4907.9 | 6649.0 | 5455.1 |
| Maharashtra | 2384.2 | 2061.1 | 4586.7 | 4210.3 |
| Manipur | 4.6 | 4.3 | 4.4 | # |
| Meghalaya | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.5 | # |
| Mizoram | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 | # |
| Nagaland | 31.1 | 31.2 | 31.4 | # |
| Odisha | 0.7 | NA | NA | NA |
| Rajasthan | 956.6 | 998.8 | 1131.8 | 1047.7 |
| Sikkim | 3.9 | 3.2 | 3.2 | # |
| Telangana | 262.0 | 252.0 | 322.0 | 240.0 |
| Tripura | NA | NA | 0.3 | # |
| Uttar Pradesh | 38.0 | 18.7 | 7.0 | 11.0 |
| Uttarakhand | 16.5 | 18.0 | 13.0 | 12.0 |
| West Bengal | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.6 |
| Others | NA | NA | NA | 40.5 |
| All India | 10373.8 | 8569.8 | 13158.7 | 11390.4 |

* As per 2nd Advance Estimates.

NA: Not available. # Included in others.

Note: Production of soyabean in UTs is negligible.
