

Reviewing Support Price of Kharif Crop

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether following the increase in prices of various petroleum products in July this year and the consequential hike in the general price trend, Government have reviewed and raised the support prices of different Kharif crop items; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL RECONSTRUCTION AND IRRIGATION AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (RAO BIRENDRA SINGH):
(a) and (b). Consequent upon the increase in the prices of fertilisers and diesel oil w.e.f. 11th July 1981, the Government requested the Agricultural prices Commission to re-work their recommendations on procurement/minimum support prices of agricultural commodities for which they had already submitted their reports. The Commission has since given its revised recommendations and the relevant details are given below:-

Commodity	Recommendations made in the Report prior to raise in price of fertilisers and diesel oil	Recommendations made in the Supplementary Report subsequent to the raise in the prices of fertilisers and diesel oil.
	(Rs. per quintal)	
<i>Kharif cereals</i>		
Paddy	113	115
Jowar, Bajra, Maize and Ragi.	115	116
<i>Cotton</i>		
Kapas (FAQ Cj-/34/414-F	375	380
<i>Oilseeds</i>		
Groundnut-in-shell (FAQ)	270	273
Soyabean (Black) (FAQ)	210	213
Soyabean (Yellow) (FAQ)	230	234
Sun flower seed	250	253
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<i>Sugarcane</i>	15.50	15.50
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<i>Tobacco</i>	Rs. per. Kg	Rs. per Kg.
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Light soil	8.50	8.50
Black soil	8.00	8.00

(Minimum prices payable by sugar factories are linked to a basic recovery of 8.5 per cent).

These recommendations are under the consideration of the Government.