

Cabinet approves Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for Kharif Crops for Marketing Season 2025-26

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The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the increase in the Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for 14 Kharif Crops for Marketing Season 2025-26.

Government has increased the MSP of Kharif Crops for Marketing Season 2025-26, to ensure remunerative prices to the growers for their produce. The highest absolute increase in MSP over the previous year has been recommended for nigerseed (Rs.820 per quintal) followed by Ragi (Rs.596 per quintal), Cotton (Rs.589 per quintal) and Sesamum (Rs.579 per quintal).

Minimum Support Prices for all Kharif crops for Marketing Season 2025-26

(Rs. per quintal)

S.No.	Crops		MSP 2025- 26	Cost* KMS 2025-	Margin over cost	MSP		MSP Increase in 2025-26	
	Cereals			26	(%)	2024- 25	2013- 14	over 2024- 25	over 2013- 14
1.	Paddy	Common	2369	1579	50	2300	1310	69	1059 (81%)
		Grade A^	2389	-	-	2320	1345	69	1044 (78%)

2.	Jowar	Hybrid	3699	2466	50	3371	1500	328	2199 (147%)
		Maldandi^	3749	-	-	3421	1520	328	2299 (147%)
3.	Bajra		2775	1703	63	2625	1250	150	1525 (122%)
4.	Ragi		4886	3257	50	4290	1500	596	3386 (226%)
5.	Maize		2400	1508	59	2225	1310	175	1090 (83%)
	Pulses								
6.	Tur /Arhar		8000	5038	59	7550	4300	450	3700 (86%)
7.	Moong		8768	5845	50	8682	4500	86	4268 (95%)
	Crops		MSP 2025- 26	Cost* KMS 2025- 26	Margin over cost (%)	MSP		MSP Increase in 2025-26	
						2024- 25	2013- 14	over 2024- 25	over 2013- 14
8.	Urad		7800	5114	53	7400	4300	400	3500 (81%)

	Oilseeds								
9.	Groundnut		7263	4842	50	6783	4000	480	3263 (82%)
10.	Sunflower Seed		7721	5147	50	7280	3700	441	4021 (109%)
11.	Soybean (Yellow)		5328	3552	50	4892	2560	436	2768 (108%)
12.	Sesamum		9846	6564	50	9267	4500	579	5346 (119%)
13.	Nigerseed Commercial		9537	6358	50	8717	3500	820	6037 (172%)
14.	Cotton	(Medium Staple)	7710	5140	50	7121	3700	589	4010 (108%)
		(Long Staple)^	8110	-	-	7521	4000	589	4110 (103%)

*Refers to cost which includes all paid out costs such as those incurred on account of hired human labour, bullock labour/machine labour, rent paid for leased in land, expenses incurred on use of material inputs like seeds, fertilizers, manures, irrigation charges, depreciation on implements and farm buildings, interest on working capital, diesel/electricity for operation of pump sets etc., miscellaneous expenses and imputed value of family labour.

^ Cost data are not separately compiled for Paddy (Grade A), Jowar (Maldandi) and Cotton (Long staple)

The increase in MSP for Kharif Crops for Marketing Season 2025-26 is in line with the Union Budget 2018-19 announcement of fixing the MSP at a level of at least 1.5 times of the All-India weighted average cost of production, The expected margin to farmers over their cost of production are estimated to be highest in case of bajra (63%) followed by maize (59%), tur (59%) and urad (53%). For rest of the crops, margin to farmers over their cost of production is estimated to be at 50%.

In the recent years, Government has been promoting the cultivation of crops, other than cereals such as pulses and oilseeds, and Nutri-cereals/ Shree Anna, by offering a higher MSP for these crops.

During the period 2014-15 to 2024-25, procurement of paddy was 7608 LMT while during the period 2004-05 to 2013-14, procurement of paddy was 4590 LMT.

During the period 2014-15 to 2024-25, procurement of 14 Kharif crops was 7871 LMT while during the period 2004-05 to 2013-14, procurement was 4679 LMT.

During the period 2014-15 to 2024-25, MSP amount paid to Paddy growing famers was Rs. 14.16 Lakh Crore while during the period 2004-05 to 2013-14, amount paid to farmers was Rs. 4.44 Lakh Crore.

During the period 2014-15 to 2024-25, the MSP amount paid to 14 Kharif crops growing famers was Rs. 16.35 Lakh Crores while during the period 2004-05 to 2013-14, MSP amount paid to farmers was Rs. 4.75 Lakh Crore.

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