

Regarding Special package to the grape growing farmers and need for MSP for onion crop

SHRI BHASKAR MURLIDHAR BHAGARE (DINDORI): Thank you Madam Chairperson,

In my Dindori Lok Sabha constituency, especially in Nashik district, it rained heavily from May 5 to November end and due to this, the onion got soaked and spoiled, so the onion did not get a good and remunerative price.

Similarly, the grape crop is also produced in a large quantity in this area, but due to continuous rains, there was no sunlight needed for healthy grape production. So, the grapes got mildew and the fruit was damaged. This year, around 75% to 80% of the vineyards got damaged. Farmers trapped into debt. It costs lakhs of rupees to clean the orchard. It costs 5 to 6 lakhs per hectare every year, for which the state government has provided meager assistance. My request is that the central government should give a special package to the grape-growing farmers. At the same time, I demand that the onion crop must be given a guaranteed price and onion exports should also be started as early as possible.

Thank you.