

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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SUGARCANE SUPPORT PRICE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to increase the sugarcane support price;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any representation has been received from Sugarcane growers to this effect; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b) : The matter concerning fixation of the Statutory Minimum Price (SMP) of sugarcane for 2003-04 crushing season is under consideration of the Government.

(c) : Yes, Sir.

(d) : The SMP of sugarcane is fixed on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) and after consultations with the State Governments and such other organisations/authorities as may be considered appropriate by the Central Government.