

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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COMMITTEE FOR MINIMUM SUPPORT PRICE OF COTTON
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set-up any committee to determine the Minimum Support Price of cotton;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and by when it is likely to be set-up?

Answer

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

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The Government already fixes each season the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for basic varieties of Cotton like J-34/F-414/H-777 and H-4 and the MSPs for other varieties are fixed by the Textiles Commissioner Ministry of Textiles on the market price differences of the basic varieties. The MSP fixed for the 2003-04 season of Fair Average Quality (FAQ) of Cotton (J- 34/F-414/H-777) is Rs.1725/- per quintal and Cotton (H-4) is Rs.1925/- per quintal.