GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:285 ANSWERED ON:01.12.2015 Production of Cotton Lakhanpal Shri Raghav

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the production and productivity of cotton per hectare registered in the country during the last two years and the current year, Statewise; and

(b) the cost of production of cotton and their price along with the reasons for increase or decrease?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(a): State-wise details of production and productivity of cotton during the last two years and the current year i.e. 2013-14 to 2015-16 are given in Annexure I.

(b): Details of the cost of production of cotton (A2+FL), as projected by Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), and the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of cotton during the period 2013-14 to 2015-16 are as under:-

Year Cost of Poduction (Rs./Quintal) A2+FL Minimum Support Price (MSP) (Rs./Quintal) Medium Staple Long Staple 2013-14 2485 3700 4000 2014-15 2510 3750 4050 2015-16 2753 3800 4100

Note: A2+FL is all paid out costs plus imputed value of Family Labour.

The details of all India average Wholesale prices of cotton in the country during the above period are given in the Annexure II.

The cost of production of cotton over the years has been varying due to change, in cost of various inputs viz. human, bullock, machine, seeds, insecticides, fertilizers, manures, irrigation and also the changes in its productivity.