

Cabinet approves Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for Kharif Crops for Marketing Season 2026-27

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The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) 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 2026-27.

Government has increased the MSP of Kharif Crops for Marketing Season 2026-27, to ensure remunerative prices to the growers for their produce. The highest absolute increase in MSP over the previous year has been recommended for Sunflower Seed (₹ 622 per quintal) followed by Cotton (Rs. 557 per quintal), Nigerseed (Rs.515 per quintal) and Sesamum (Rs.500 per quintal).

Minimum Support Prices for all Kharif crops for Marketing Season 2026-27:

(Rs.per quintal)

S. No.	Crops		MSP 2026-27	Cost* KMS 2026-27	Margin over cost (%)	MSP		MS MSP Increase in 2026-27	
						2025-26	2013-14	over 2025-26	over 2013-14
	Cereals								
1.	Paddy	Common	2441	1627	50	2369	1310	72	1131 (86%)
		Grade A^	2461	-	-	2389	1345	72	1116 (83%)

2.	Jowar	Hybrid	4023	2682	50	3699	1500	324	2523 (168%)
		Maldandi ^	4073	-	-	3749	1520	324	2553 (168%)
3.	Bajra		2900	1858	56	2775	1250	125	1650 (132%)
4.	Ragi		5205	3470	50	4886	1500	319	3705 (247%)
5.	Maize		2410	1544	56	2400	1310	10	1100 (84%)
	Pulses								
6.	Tur /Arhar		8450	5496	54	8000	4300	450	4150 (97%)
7.	Moong		8780	5438	61	8768	4500	12	4280 (95%)

8.	Urad	8200	5418	51	7800	4300	400	3900 (91%)
	Oilseeds							
9.	Groundnut	7517	5011	50	7263	4000	254	3517 (88%)
10.	Sunflower Seed	8343	5562	50	7721	3700	622	4643 (125%)
11.	Soybean (Yellow)	5708	3805	50	5328	2560	380	3148 (123%)
12.	Sesamum	10346	6897	50	9846	4500	500	5846 (130%)

13.	Nigerseed		10052	6701	50	9537	3500	515	6552 (187%)
	Commercial								
14.	Cotton	(Medium Staple)	8267	5511	50	7710	3700	557	4567 (123%)
		(Long Staple) ^	8667	-	-	8110	4000	557	4667 (117%)

*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 2026-27 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 Moong (61%) followed by Bajra (56%), Maize (56%) and Tur/Arhar (54%). 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 2025-26, procurement of paddy was 8418 LMT while during the period 2004-05 to 2013-14, procurement of paddy was 4590 LMT.

During the period 2014-15 to 2025-26, procurement of 14 Kharif crops was 8746 LMT while during the period 2004-05 to 2013-14, procurement was 4679 LMT.

During the period 2014-15 to 2025-26, MSP amount paid to Paddy growing famers was Rs. 16.08 Lakh Crores 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 2025-26, the MSP amount paid to 14 Kharif crops growing famers was Rs. 18.99 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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