

MINIMUM SUPPORT PRICES (MSP) 2018-19

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The details of **Minimum Support Prices of all the important Crops** are given in the following pages of this Free E-book.

Sample Questions -

Q. The MSP of Wheat for 2018-19 was set at _____.

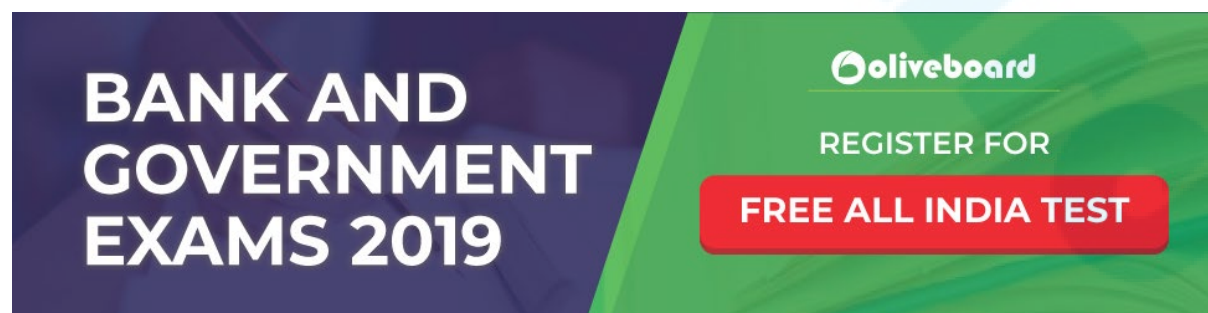
- (a) ₹1740
- (b) ₹1840
- (c) ₹1940
- (d) ₹1480

Answer: Option B – ₹1840

Q. The MSP of Bajra in 2018-19 was increased by _____%, as compared to 2017-18.

- (a) 25%
- (b) 30%
- (c) 35%
- (d) 37%

Answer: Option D – 37%



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What is Minimum Support Price (MSP) ?

It is type of Market Intervention carried out by the Government of India to protect the Farmer from sharp fall in prices of their crops, especially during bumper production.

MSP is announced for specific crops by the Government of India as per the recommendations of the Commission of Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP).

Minimum Support Price is the basic guarantee price which the farmer will get for her/his produce from the Government.

If during Bumper Production year/s the Market Price of any crop falls below the MSP. The Government of India purchases the entire crop produce of the farmer at MSP.

The Aim of MSP is to relieve the Farmers from stress of selling their farm produce and earning a good Return on their investments. It is also the means of procuring food grains for Public distribution system.

MSP is announced before the sowing season starts for certain crops.

MSP for Kharif Crops - 2018-19

Commodity	Variety	MSP (Rs Per Quintal)		Increase over previous year (Rs per quintal)	
		2017-18	2018-19	In Rupees	In Percentage
Paddy	Common	1550	1750	200	13%
	Grade 'A'	1590	1770	180	11%
Jowar	Hybrid	1700	2430	730	43%
	Maldandi	1725	2450	725	42%
Bajra		1425	1950	525	37%
Maize		1425	1700	275	19%
Ragi		1900	2897	997	52%
Arhar (Tur)		5450 (includes Rs.200- Bonus)	5675	225	4%
Moong		5575 (includes Rs.200/- Bonus)	6975	1400	25%
Urad		5400 (includes	5600	200	4%

		Rs.200- Bonus)			
Cotton	Medium Staple *	4020	5150	1130	28%
	Long Staple **	4320	5450	1130	26%
Groundnut in shell		4450 (includes Rs.200/- Bonus)	4890	440	10%
Sunflower seed		4100 (includes Rs.100/- Bonus)	5388	1288	31%
Soyabean	Yellow and Black	3050 (includes Rs.200/- Bonus)	3399	349	11%
Sesamum	-	5300 (includes Rs.100/- Bonus)	6249	949	18%
Nigerseed	-	4050 (includes Rs.100/- Bonus)	5877	1827	45%

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MSP for Rabi Crops

(2018-19 season to be marketed in 2019-20)

Commodity	MSP (Rs Per Quintal)		Increase over previous year (Rs per quintal)	
	2017-18	2018-19	In Rupees	In Percentage
Wheat	1735	1840	105	6%
Barley	1410	1440	30	2%
Gram	4400 <i>(includes bonus of Rs. 150 per quintal)</i>	4620	220	5%
Masur (Lentil)	4250 <i>(includes bonus of Rs.100 per quintal)</i>	4475	225	5%
Rapeseed & Mustard	4000 <i>(includes bonus of Rs.100 per quintal)</i>	4200	300	8%
Safflower	4100 <i>(includes bonus of Rs.100 per quintal)</i>	4945	845	21%
Toria	3560	3900	340	10%

MSP for Other Crops

Commodity	Variety	MSP (Rs Per Quintal)	
		2017-18	2018-19
Copra (2019 crop season)	Milling	-	9521
	Ball	-	9920
De-husked coconut		-	2030
Raw Jute (for 2019-20 season)		-	3950
Sugarcane \$		-	275



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