

Haryana: First State to Buy all Crops from Farmers at MSP

Why in News?

Recently, **Haryana Chief Minister** announced the **procurement of all crops** in the state at the <u>Minimum Support Price (MSP)</u>, thus becoming the **first in the country** to procure all crops at MSP.

Key Points

- The Chief Minister also announced the waiving of Rs 133 crore in outstanding canal water irrigation charges.
 - The payment of pending compensation of Rs 137 crore within a week to farmers who suffered <u>crop damage</u> because of <u>natural calamity</u> in Rohtak, Nuh, Fatehabad and Sirsa before 2023 was also announced.

Minimum Support Price (MSP)

- MSP is the guaranteed amount paid to farmers when the government buys their produce.
- MSP is based on the recommendations of the <u>Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP)</u>, which considers various factors such as cost of production, demand and supply, market price trends, inter-crop price parity, etc.
 - CACP is an attached office of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. It came into existence in January 1965.
- The <u>Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA)</u> chaired by the Prime Minister of India takes the **final decision (approve) on the level of MSPs.**
- The MSP is aimed at ensuring **remunerative prices to growers for their produce** and encouraging <u>Crop Diversification</u>.

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