

## GOVERNMENT INTRODUCES MINIMUM SUPPORT PRICE FOR 17 NEW ITEMS OF MINOR FOREST PRODUCE; REVISES MSP FOR 23 ITEMS OF MFP;

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Ministry of Tribal Affairs

### Government introduces Minimum Support Price for 17 new items of Minor Forest Produce; revises MSP for 23 items of MFP;

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The Government has revised the Minimum Support Price of 23 items of Minor Forest Produce items and has introduced MSP for 17 new MFP items. The 23 items whose MSP has been revised include those Minor Forest Produce items which have been covered under the scheme since its inception in the year 2013-14. The revised MSP also includes those MFP items which were announced on 31.10.2016 except Palash Flower (wet variety).

The Ministry of Tribal Affairs, in a notification issued yesterday, has asked all the State Governments to bring these changes to the notice of State nodal agencies and the State implementing agencies. TRIFED will be required to keep a watch on market prices and display on website besides sharing with the States to facilitate implementation of the scheme. There shall also be an endeavor to develop market linkage between State agencies, through State nodal department for bulk users/buyers.

In view of the general cost escalation on all fronts the question of revision of MSP of the MFP items had been under consideration of the Government for some time. Consequent upon receipt of recommendations of the MFP Pricing Cell for revision of MSP of the MFP items already existing in the scheme, as also the recommendation for the inclusion of additional MFP items, the Ministry, after due deliberation, has now decided to revise the MSP of the 10 MFP items which have formed a part of the scheme from its very inception as under:

Sl. No.	MFP Item	MSP Rates as on 21.11.2017 (Rs./Kg.)	M S P Recommended (Rs./Kg.) for FY 2018-19
1	Tamarind (with seeds) <i>Tamarindus indica</i>	18	31
2	Wild Honey	150	195
3	Gum Karaya	108	98

	<i>Sterculia urens</i>		
4	Karanj seeds <i>Pongamia pinnata</i>	18	19
5	Sal seed <i>Shorea robusta</i>	12	20
6	Mahua seed <i>Madhuca longifolia</i>	20	25
7	Sal leaves <i>Shorea robusta</i>	24	30
8	Chironji pods with seeds <i>Buchanania lanzan</i>	93	109
9	Myrobalan <i>Terminalia chebula</i>	8	15
10 (A)	Rangeeni Lac	130	130
10 (B)	Kusumi Lac	167	203

3. The MSP of the thirteen (13) MFP items which were introduced into the scheme w.e.f. 31.10.2016 was reviewed and the Ministry, after due deliberation, has now decided to revise their MSP as under:

Sl. No.	MFP Item	MSP Rates as on 21.11.2017 (Rs./Kg.)	M S P Recommended (Rs./Kg.) for FY 2018-19
1	Kusum seeds ( <i>Schleichera oleosa</i> )	10	20
2	Neem seeds ( <i>Azadirachta indica</i> )	12	23
3	Puwad seeds ( <i>Cassia tora</i> )	8	14
4	Baheda ( <i>Terminalia bellirica</i> )	15	17
5	Hill Broom Grass ( <i>Thysanolaena maxima</i> )	10	30
6	Dry Shikakai Pods ( <i>Acacia concinna</i> )	30	43
7	Bael pulp (Dried) ( <i>Aegle marmelos</i> )	15	27
8	Nagarmotha ( <i>Cyperus rotundas</i> )	25	27
9	Shatavari Roots (Dried) ( <i>Asparagus racemosus</i> )	40	92
10	Gudmar / Madhunashini	35	35

	( <i>Gymnema sylvestre</i> )		
11	Kalmegh ( <i>Andrographis paniculata</i> )	15	33
12	Tamarind (De-seeded) ( <i>Tamarindus indica</i> )	40	54
13	Guggul ( <i>Sterculia urens</i> )*	700	---

\* The MFP Pricing Cell did not recommend any revised MSP for Guggul (*Sterculia urens*).

4. With a view to increase the coverage of the scheme in terms of MFP items, studies have been conducted on some more MFP items which are collected by tribals in most of the States for their livelihood. Based on the recommendations of the Pricing Cell constituted by the Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Ltd. (TRIFED) this Ministry has decided to announce the inclusion of seventeen (17) more MFP items in the scheme along with their MSP as under:

S. No.	MFP Item	MSP recommended for the year 2018-19. (Rs. Per kg.)
1	Mahua Flowers (dried) ( <i>Madhuca longifolia</i> )	17
2	Tejpatta (dried) ( <i>Cinnamomum tamala</i> and <i>Cinnamomum sp.</i> )	33
3	Jamun dried seeds ( <i>Syzygium cumini</i> )	36
4	Dried Amla Pulp (deseeded) ( <i>Phyllanthus emblica</i> )	45
5	Marking Nut ( <i>Semecarpus anacardium</i> )	8
6	Soap Nut (dried) ( <i>Sapindus emarginatus</i> )	12
7	Bhava Seed (Amaltas) ( <i>Cassia fistula</i> )	11
8	Arjuna Bark ( <i>Terminalia arjuna</i> )	18
9	Kokum (Dry) ( <i>Garcinia indica</i> )	25
10	Giloe ( <i>Tinospora cordifolia</i> )	21
11	Kaunch Seed ( <i>Macuna pruriens</i> )	18
12	Chirata ( <i>Swertia chirata</i> )	29
13	Vaybidding / Vavding (dry)	81

	seeds) ( <i>Embelia ribes</i> )	
14	Dhavaiphool dried flowers ( <i>Woodfordia floribunda</i> )	32
15	Nux Vomica ( <i>Strychnos nux vomica</i> )	36
16	Ban Tulsi Leaves (dried) ( <i>Ocimum tenuiflorum</i> )	19
17	Kshirni ( <i>Hemidesmus indicus</i> )	30

The MSP of the MFP items as mentioned above shall be operative with immediate effect and shall remain valid till further revision.

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