

FARM RUT

With debt continuing to mount unabated in states responsible for over two-thirds of the country's foodgrain production, farmers across the country are reeling in distress. Failure to speedily resolve the crisis could lead to countrywide unrest

Where India stands

₹6,426 ₹47,000 % 51.90 252,224 36,670

Punjab

January 2017 | Loss due to demonetisation
January 2017 | Poor potato prices

₹18,059
₹119,500
% 53.2
28,408
271

Rajasthan

June 2017 | Demands include raising of milk prices, hike in minimum support price (MSP) by 50% and loan waiver

₹7,350
₹70,500
% 61.8
18,101
741

Maharashtra

May 2017 | Low prices for farm produce

₹7,386
₹54,700
% 57.3
8,067
11,441

Karnataka

August 19, 2016 | Onion prices crash. Farmers throw produce on the road
June 8, 2017 | Protest in support of farmers demand in MP and Maharashtra

₹8,832
₹97,200
% 77.3
9,969
3,740

Haryana

May 25, 2017 | 1) Demand for farm loan waiver
2) Demand for farmers' pension

₹14,434
₹79,000
% 42.3
16,382
655

Madhya Pradesh

June 2017 | Demand for loan waiver

₹6,210
₹32,100
% 45.7
30,213
3,578

Chhattisgarh

December 8, 2016 | 1) Low prices of crops
2) Demand for loan waiver

₹5,177
₹10,200
% 37.2
6,959
1,709

West Bengal

May 22, 2017 | Demand for fair prices for produce

₹3,980
₹17,800
% 51.5
17,776
230

UTTAR PRADESH*
₹36,359 cr
Debt waiver announced on April 4, 2017

₹10,000 cr
Debt waiver announced on June 19, 2017

₹30,500 cr
Debt waiver announced on June 11, 2017

₹8,165 cr
Debt waiver announced on June 21, 2017

Odisha

March 2017 | Crop loss (includes post-harvest loss) and distress sale of produce

₹4,976
₹28,200
% 57.5
6,590
302

Telangana

May 3, 2017 | Dip in price of chillies

₹6,311
₹93,500
% 89.1
5,025
2,747 (Only for 2014 and 2015)

Tamil Nadu

June 9, 2017 | 1) Demand for a comprehensive drought relief package
2) Timely payment of MSP
3) Demand for formation of a Cauvery management board to resolve irrigation issues

₹6,980
₹115,900
% 82.5
11,941
1,606

Andhra Pradesh

May 3, 2017 | Dip in prices of chillies. Angry farmers dump their produce in all major market yards and set it on fire

₹5,979
₹123,400
% 92.9
10,572
3,562

How to read this map

- State name
- Date of protest | Reasons for protest
- Average monthly income* per agricultural household during July 2012-June 2013
- Approximate average amount of outstanding loan** per agricultural household
- Proportion of agricultural households with outstanding loan
- Production of foodgrains during 2015-16 (In '000 tonnes)
- Total farmer suicides in 2013-2015

* The income includes income from salary/wages, net receipt from cultivation, net receipt from farming of animals and net receipt from non-farm business
** Outstanding loans as on date of survey irrespective of the purpose for which loans were taken
Uttar Pradesh was the first state to announce loan waiver in 2017. Protests in the state died down thereafter

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