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Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri K. Chandrashekar Rao said that farmers association will have special power in deciding the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of the produce. Farmers should sell their produce if they get price a little more than the MSP or else the farmers associations will be given permits to milling process. He said Rs. 500 Crore fund will be provided in the Budget which will be given to the Farmers Federation, the Farmers federation will be further financially strengthened with the Capital fund and by raising loans from the banks. The Federation will ensure that the farmers get a MSP for their produce and also sell the crop for a higher price.

Mahabubabad district Grandhalaya Samstha Chairman Sri Gudipudi Naveen met the CM in Pragathi Bhavan. MLA Sri DS Redya Naik, former MLA Ms Kavitha, senior leaders Sri Ramasahayam Rangareddy, ODCMS former Chairman Sri Kudithi Mahender Reddy, MPPS, ZPTCs, Farmers leaders were among those who met the CM.

Speaking to the Mahabubabad district leaders, the CM said the government is taking a lot of measures on the welfare of the farmers and to make agriculture profitable. He said as on date Agriculture Extension officer are conducting survey in the villages. Data on farmers and lands should be recorded. After the survey, Farmers associations will be formed at the villages, later at Mandal, district and the state level. At every level Farmers Association will intervene and help the farming community. Farmers Association will help the government in framing the policies and coordinate among the farmers. Rs. 8,000 per acre for two crops input assistance given by the government will help the farmers not to fall into the debt trap. He said the state government according top priority to the irrigation. Next year water from Godavari will be drawn from the Kaleswaram Pump Houses. Through LMD/MMD water will be supplied to Warangal district. The CM suggested that repairs works should be done on canal SRSP canal in Mahabubabad district ad Suryapet district. The SRSP canal should have the capacity to supply 8 to 10,000 Cusecs of water. He said Irrigation Minister Sri T. Harish Rao will visit and examine the SRSP canal and the government is ready to release funds. Farmers and elected representatives should focus on the canal repair works and all the tanks should be filled with the canal water and save two crops, the CM advised.

**CPRO to CM**

