

**CHIEF MINISTER'S OFFICE
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Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri K. Chandrashekar Rao has decided to have a single licensing policy in the Agriculture markets in the State. The CM has signed on the file pertaining to the Single Licensing Policy here on Tuesday. As on date, traders who have the license for a particular market cannot purchase goods in another market. This has resulted in certain traders becoming licensed traders of a particular market. This again is leading to less competition and farmers are not getting their Minimum Support Price for their produce. Marketing Minister Sri T. Harish Rao told the CM that if the traders are allowed to have access to all the markets there will be more competition and the farmers will get a good price for their produce. Responding positively to this suggestion, the CM has instructed for the implementation of Single Licensing Policy in the Agriculture Markets. With this, any trader/businessman having the license in a market he/she can do business in any other market. Traders need not take multiple licenses and with more traders doing the business, farmers will get a good price. Marketing Minister has also of the view that the Single Licensing Policy will also help online marketing.

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