

## Farmer makes ₹490 from 19t of potatoes, sends money to PM

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**Agra:** A potato farmer here sent the paltry profit of Rs 490 that he earned from selling his entire potato produce of 19,000 kg to Prime Minister Narendra Modi to protest the continuous losses he had to suffer.

Pradeep Sharma is a resident of Nagla Nathu village in Baroli Ahir block of Agra district. For four years, he has been repeatedly making losses. This year, he had sown potatoes on 10 acres and harvested 1,150 packets, each weighing 50 kg.

Sharma said, "After paying all the charges I got only Rs 46,490. I had paid cold storage centre Rs 46,000 at the rate of Rs 125 per packet of potato. If cost of production is not considered, I made a profit of only Rs 490."

"I have sent a money order of Rs 490 to the PM; perhaps he will understand my troubles. If he cannot help me, at least he can give me permission to kill myself," Sharma said.