

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE**

**RAJYA SABHA**

**QUESTION NO 04.12.2009**

**ANSWERED ON**

**PERFORMANCE OF RASHTRIYA KRISHI VIKAS YOJANA .**

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Will the Minister of COALCOAL AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :-

- (a) the details of steps taken by Government for better performance in agriculture and allied sectors, particularly with reference to West Bengal in the last three years and how those steps reflected in the higher production of foodgrains and oil seeds in the country;
- (b) whether Government has assessed the performance of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a):Eleventh Plan has fixed target of 4% growth in agriculture and allied sector. Government has launched major schemes like Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), National Food Security Mission (NFSM), National Horticulture Mission (NHM) for contributing to the achievement of this target. Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) was launched during the year 2007-08 to encourage the States to invest more in the Agriculture and allied sectors to contribute to the objective of 4% annual growth in this sector during the 11th Five Year Plan period. It has an envisaged outlay of Rs.25,000 crore for the Plan period. Government of India has released funds under RKVY to the

State Government of West Bengal during 2007-08 and 2008-09 as under:-

Year Amount released (Rs. in crores)

2007-08 54.93

2008-09 147.38

Projects taken up by the State Govoernment of West Bengal to be funded from  
RKVY

funds which will contribute towards higher production of food grains and  
oilseeds:

(Rs. in lakh)

Component 2007-08 2008-09

Crops 200.00 60.30

Horticulture 675.795 1155.03

Seed farm 903.774 1102.88

Soil testing lab 205.10 452.03

Seed Testing Lab. - 285.00

IPM - 70.80

Agri mechanization 496.10 583.03

Extension 120.40 376.68

NRM 564.25 810.72

Micro/Minor Irrigation - 734.29

Total 3165.419 5630.76

(b)&(c): Government assesses physical and financial performance of RKVY from time to time. However

as RKVY was launched only in August, 2007, no external evaluation of the Scheme has been taken up so far.