

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1145
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11/02/2022

IMPLEMENTATION OF NAIS IN PUDUCHERRY

1145 SHRI S. SELVAGANABATHY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government of Puducherry is availing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) effectively;
- (b) if so, the number of farmers in Puducherry benefitted in the last five years;
- (c) the major crops for which the scheme is utilized by the farmers of Puducherry; and
- (d) the quantum of funds released in the last five years under the said scheme in Puducherry?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d) : The implementation of National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) was withdrawn after 2015-16 and new improved scheme namely, Pradhan Matnri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) was introduced from 2016-17 in the country. This scheme is voluntary for the States and Union Territory of Puducherry is implementing the PMFBY since its inception. The scheme envisages coverage of all food, oilseed and commercial/horticultural crops. It is the State Government who notifies the crop and areas under the scheme and Government of Puducherry is notifying paddy, banana, urad, moong, groundnut, Rice follow cotton and sugarcane under the scheme. Being a Central Sector Scheme no State/UT-wise allocation and release is made under the scheme. Since inception of the scheme till 2020-21, 42,118 farmer applications are insured with a gross premium of Rs. 14.43 crore comprising farmer's share of Rs. 3.33 crore and Government's share of Rs. 11.10 crore.
