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UNSTARRED QUESTION No-1950
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 23/12/2022

LAUNCHING OF AGRICULTURE INVESTMENT PORTAL

1950. SMT. GEETA ALIAS CHANDRAPRABHA:

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

- (a): whether Government has launched the Agriculture Investment Portal;
- (b): if so, whether it is a fact that this portal has been launched in association with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation;
- (c): the features of this portal thereof; and
- (d): the benefits to be received by the farmers in the country from this portal, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SISNGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. The Government has started the Development of Agriculture Investment Portal named “Krishi Nivesh” on 05th December, 2022 to boost the agriculture investment in the country. The portal is being developed in association with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF). BMGF is working on various sectors in India and in other countries including the agriculture sector. Phase 1 of the portal is planned to be made live by 30th June, 2023.

(c): KrishiNivesh is an Integrated, centralized one stop Portal for all Agri-Investors to avail benefits from various Government schemes. It will cover all concerned Ministries/Departments of Central Government and State Government Schemes related to agriculture and allied sectors. Investors will be enabled with the ease of access to various government schemes through proper guidance and navigation, with a focus on facilitating access to women farmers, Women entrepreneurs, women self help groups and aspiring rural youth. The portal will also act as the central repository where the data of investors in Agri and allied sectors, which is available on Department specific portals, will converge on KrishiNivesh Portal. This will provide a huge boost to Agri Investments in the country.

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(d): The portal will provide Investment Opportunities based on Geography, Schemes, etc. where investors/farmers/Agri-startups can avail the benefits available under various government Schemes either of Central or States. It will provide 360 degree visibility to all stakeholders in a transparent environment. The portal will also help in tracking and monitoring the investments utilizing the integrated analytics platform as well as the total sectoral investments. This will help in planning and policy formulations. The portal will also be linked with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan for better planning of Investments and with various other portals. The initiative will boost Agri Investments, unlocking financial and non financial support system to all beneficiaries, with a focus on women farmers/entrepreneurs/SHGs and aspiring rural youth.

The farmers and farmer groups will be hugely benefitted by the innovation, technology, infrastructure created through of investment like digital technologies, remote sensing, storage, research, better farming techniques, farm machineries, logistics facilities, value addition, food processing etc. More over the farmers, FPOs, farmers groups can also avail benefits as government is promoting them to setup their own projects in agriculture sectors.
