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DEVELOPMENT OF ORGANIC FARMING

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

- (a) the details of steps taken for the development of organic farming in the country;
- (b) incentives provided to the farmers for taking up organic farming;
- (c) steps taken by Government to facilitate marketing of organic farming for the benefit of farmers;
- (d) whether Government has formulated any new policy/scheme for development of organic farming; and
- (e) by when the said policy is likely to be implemented and the manner in which it would be beneficial to the farmers?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (e): For development of Organic farming in the country, Government has been implementing the schemes of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) and Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER) since 2015-16. PKVY is being implemented in all the States across the country other-than North Eastern (NE) States. MOVCDNER scheme is implemented exclusively in the NE States. Under these schemes, farmers are primarily encouraged to undertake organic cultivation using organic inputs and are provided end to end support i.e. from production to marketing of organic produce. Hands-on training to farmers about on-farm production of organic manures and its use are integral part of these schemes.

Under PKVY, farmers are provided financial assistance of Rs 50000/ha for 3 years out of which, Rs 31000/ ha / 3 years is provided as incentives directly to farmers through DBT for on-farm and off-farm organic inputs. Whereas, under MOVCDNER, an assistance of Rs. 46,575/ha for 3years is provided for creation of FPO, support to farmers for organic inputs, quality seeds/ planting material and

training, hand holding and certification, out of which Rs. 32,500/ ha for 3years is provided as incentives to farmers for off-farm and on-farm organic inputs.

Under PKVY assistance is provided @ Rs. 15.0 lakh / 1000 ha cluster for 3 years facilitate farmers for direct marketing of their organic products to the buyers. In addition, assistance is provided @ Rs. 53.0 lakh /1000 ha clusters for 3 years for branding, publicity, exhibition, trade fairs and other marketing initiatives to support direct buying of organic products from farmers. Under MOVCDNER, there is provision of assistance of Rs. 25.0 lakh/ FPO/FPC of 500 farmers for 3 years for marketing of certified organic products. Moreover, to promote direct marketing of organic products from the farmers to the end consumers, a dedicated web portal- www.Jaivikkheti.in/ has been created as online marketing platform to get a better price for organic products.
