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TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 03RD FEBRUARY, 2023

SUBSIDY FOR HIGH-YIELDING/HYBRID SEEDS TO THE FARMERS

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

- a) whether Government is planning to subsidize high-yielding/hybrid seeds for distribution to the farmers, so that the objective of National Food Security Mission (NFSM) is achieved;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) if not, whether Government proposes to support the farmers in achieving the objectives of the NFSM; and
- d) by what time final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a)to (d): The Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare is already implementing the National Food Security Mission (NFSM) in 28 states & 2 Union Territories of the country to enhance the production of agricultural crops. The mission provides incentives on distribution of certified seeds of the High Yielding Varieties (HYVs)/Hybrids of Rice, Wheat, Pulses, Coarse Cereals, Nutri Cereals, Jute and Oilseeds to the farmers. In addition, certified seeds of newly released HYVs/Hybrids of pulses & oilseeds in form of seed minikits are given to the farmers free of cost. The dissemination of new HYVs and Hybrids of various crops including critical inputs has resulted in record production of pulses, oilseeds and foodgrains at 27.69 million tonnes, 37.70 million tonnes and 315.72 million tonnes respectively, during 2021-22.
