

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 173
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03/02/2023

IDENTIFICATION OF REGIONS AS ORGANIC HUBS

173. SHRI K.R. SURESH REDDY:

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

- (a) whether Government agrees with the view that regions identified as hubs for organic produce must be prioritized for new Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs);
- (b) if so, the steps taken/being taken by Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): Government is promoting organic farming throughout the country as per the areas identified by the states and as such no hubs for organic produce have been identified. However, Government realizes the importance of Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) for promotion and marketing of organic products. Organic clusters developed under Paramparagat Krishi Vikash Yojana (PKVY) and Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North East Region (MOVCDNER) are being federated into organic FPO.

(b) & (c): Under PKVY FPOs are being formed in convergence with the scheme of “Formation and Promotion of 10,000 Farmer Producer Organizations” (FPOs) through 4 Implementing Agencies (IAs) namely National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), Small Farmers' Agri-Business Consortium (SFAC), National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) & National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd.(NAFED). A total of 131 FPOs have been formed in 18 States/UTs. The state/UTs wise details of FPO formed under 4 implementing agencies is given in **Annexure -I**.

Under MOVCDNER Government has been promoting certified organic production on value chain mode through FPO/FPC formation since 2015-2016 in all the North Eastern (NE) states. 379 FPO/FPC have been created through state Government covering 1.729 lakh ha area involving 1.89 lakh farmers in the north eastern states. The State –wise details FPO/FPC formed under MOVCDNER since 2015-16 is given at **Annexure- II**.

Annexure – I

State/UTs wise details of FPO formed under 4 implementing agencies

S. No.	Name of the State	No of FPO	Implementing Agencies			
			SFAC	NABARD	NCDC	NAFED
1	Andhra Pradesh	17	5	6	5	1
2	Chhattisgarh	8	2	3	2	1
3	Odisha	6	2	-	2	2
4	Gujarat	1	1	-	-	-
5	Uttarakhand	5	-	-	2	3
6	Karnataka	11	2	6	2	1
7	Telangana	4	2	-	1	1
8	Himachal Pradesh	9	2	5	2	-
9	Jharkhand	4	2	-	-	2
10	Uttar Pradesh	32	6	-	6	20
11	Bihar	14	2	-	4	8
12	Punjab	3	1	-	1	1
13	Tamil Nadu	6	1	2	2	1
14	Rajasthan	1	-	-	-	1
15	Madhya Pradesh	6	-	6	-	-
16	Kerala	2	-	2	-	-
17	Ladakh	1	-	-	-	1
18	Andaman & Nicobar	1	-	-	-	1
Total		131	28	30	29	44

Annexure – II

State –wise details FPO/FPC formed under MOVCDNER since 2015-16

Sl. No.	States	Area	Cluster/FIGs	FPC	Farmers
1	Arunachal Pradesh	20500	501	46	15099
2	Assam	20001	511	40	19701
3	Manipur	37500	1875	75	37500
4	Mizoram	20999	840	44	22104
5	Meghalaya	14000	359	28	14993
6	Nagaland	23058	1150	48	23628
7	Sikkim	16650	786	56	35928
8	Tripura	20258.4	807	42	20086
Total		172966	6829	379	189039
