

Ministry of Finance  
Department of Financial Services

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**DEBT ON FARMERS IN THE COUNTRY**

2285. SHRI DEEPENDER SINGH HOODA.:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total indebtedness of farmers in the country, State/UT -wise including Haryana.
- (b) whether Government has undertaken any study to assess the indebtedness and financial distress of farmers in the last five years and if so, the details and the outcomes thereof; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to waive off debts of farmers in view of the current situation?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
(DR. BHAGWAT KARAD)

(a) and (b): As per Report: *Situation Assessment of Agricultural Households and Land and Livestock Holdings of Households in Rural India, 2019*, of Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, National Statistical Office, the average amount of outstanding loan per agricultural household for different States including Haryana is given in Annexure.

(c): No sir.

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ANNEXURE

Average amount (Rs.) of outstanding loan per agricultural household for different

State/Group of NE States/ Group of UTs	Average amount (Rs.) of outstanding loan per agricultural household
Andhra Pradesh	2,45,554
Arunachal Pradesh	3,581
Assam	16,407
Bihar	23,534
Chhattisgarh	21,443
Gujarat	56,568
<b>Haryana</b>	<b>1,82,922</b>
Himachal Pradesh	85,825
Jammu & Kashmir	30,435
Jharkhand	8,415
Karnataka	1,26,240
Kerala	2,42,482
Madhya Pradesh	74,420
Maharashtra	82,085
Manipur	5,551
Meghalaya	2,237
Mizoram	23,485
Nagaland	1,750
Odisha	32,721
Punjab	2,03,249
Rajasthan	1,13,865
Sikkim	32,185
Tamil Nadu	1,06,553
Telangana	1,52,113
Tripura	23,944
Uttarakhand	48,338
Uttar Pradesh	51,107
West Bengal	26,452
Group of N E States	10,034
Group of UTs	25,629
<b>All India</b>	<b>74,121</b>

*Note: Based on the surveyed households of visit-1*

**States/Group of UTs/ Group of North-Eastern States.**

Source: NSS Report No. 587: Situation Assessment of Agricultural Households and Land and Livestock Holdings of Households in Rural India, 2019.