GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3367 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31/03/2023

SURVEY TO ASSESS INDEBTEDNESS OF SMALL AND MARGINAL FARMERS

3367. SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK:

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

- (a) whether Government has made any survey to assess the extent of indebtedness of small and marginal farmers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the steps Government plans to take to get the farmers out of their indebtedness; and
- (c) if not, the reason therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): 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 is given in Annexure. However, Government of India has taken various policy initiatives to take the farmers out of their indebtedness and to increase their income. These schemes/initiatives include KCC Saturation drive to ensure concessional institutional credit to all eligible farmers in the country, income support of Rs. 6000 per year to farm families in 3 equal installments through Pradhan Mantri KIsan SAmman Nidhi (PM-KISAN), Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), formation of Joint Liabilities Groups (JLG's), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), National Food Security Mission (NFSM), National Agriculture Market (e-NAM), National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan-Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY), Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF).

Annexure referred in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Q. no. 3367 due for answer on 31.03.2023

Average amount (Rs) of outstanding loan per agricultural households

S. No.	State	Average amount (Rs) of outstanding loan per agricultural households
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2,45,554
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	3,581
3.	Assam	16,407
4.	Bihar	23,534
5.	Chhattisgarh	21,443
6.	Gujarat	56,568
7.	Haryana	1,82,922
8.	Himachal Pradesh	85,825
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	30,435
10.	Jharkhand	8,415
11.	Karnataka	1,26,240
12.	Kerala	2,42,482
13.	Madhya Pradesh	74,420
14.	Maharashtra	82,058
15.	Manipur	5,551
16.	Meghalaya	2,237
17.	Mizoram	23,485
18.	Nagaland	1,750
19.	Odisha	32,721
20.	Punjab	2,03,249
21.	Rajasthan	1,13,865
22.	Sikkim	32,185
23.	Tamil Nadu	1,06,553
24.	Telangana	1,52,113
25.	Tripura	23,944
26.	Uttarakhand	48,338
27.	Uttar Pradesh	51,107
28.	West Bengal	26,452
	All India	74,121

Source: Situation Assessment Survey of Agricultural Households (Jan-Dec2019), National Statistical Office (NSO)
