GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3978

TO BE ANSWERED ON 06-04-2023

Biotech-KISAN scheme

3978 # Shri Rambhai Harjibhai Mokariya:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Biotech-KISAN scheme has been launched to counsel and to provide solutions to the farmers on the problems related to water, soil, seeds and marketing;
- (b) if so, the facilities provided to the farmers under this Scheme; and
- (c) the number of farmers who have received benefits under this Scheme in the last one year?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a) Yes sir.
- (b) Under the scheme farmers are provided counselling and demonstrations on improved seed, planting stock of vegetable, interventions for use of plant growth-promoting rhizobacteria (PGPR's)/bio-fertilizers, irrigation & protected cultivation technologies, improved livestock (goat, pig), poultry and fishery as well as health management of livestock/poultry.
- (c) Under the scheme 1,59,287 farmers have received benefits during the last one year (January 2022- December 2022).