# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS

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#### UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2106 TO BE ANSWERED ON:08.08.2023

### Provision of KSKs in Odisha

#### 2106: SMT. MAMATA MOHANTA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed and opened Kisan Samridhi Kendras (KSKs) as helping centres for farmers to modernise agriculture;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the list of the KSKs opened/authorised, State-wise including Odisha;
- (c) whether Government proposes promotion of start-ups in agriculture sector through KSKs in developing cultivation under modern techniques; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof and targets achieved if any in Odisha?

#### ANSWER

#### MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

#### (SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)

(a) & (b): Vide notification dated 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2022, it has been decided to convert the existing village, block/sub district/ taluk and district level fertilizer retail shops into Model Fertilizer Retail Shops, namely **Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samridhi Kendra** (**PMKSK**). These PMKSKs act as a 'one-stop-shop' for farmers for multiple products such as seeds, fertilizers, pesticides etc. and also avail multiple services related to agriculture sector like fertilizer/seed/soil testing, drones & other farm equipment under one single roof. As on date, more than 1.25 lakh PMKSKs have been completed which includes 3514 PMKSKs in the state of Odisha.

(c) & (d): No Sir, there is no such proposal.

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