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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1458
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15/12/2023

AVERAGE GROWTH RATE OF AGRICULTURE

1458. SHRI RANDEEP SINGH SURJEWALA:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) the annual average growth rate of Agriculture (growth rate of Gross Value Added of agriculture and allied sectors) from FY2018 to FY2023, year-wise;
- (b) the spending on agriculture as percentage of annual General Budget from FY2018 to FY2023, year-wise; and
- (c) whether it is a fact that the public expenditure on agriculture has now gone down to just 4 per cent and below, if so, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

(a) to (c): Since 2014, the Government has adopted and implemented several policies, reforms, developmental programmes and schemes for improving the agricultural growth prospects and incomes of the farmers. These have led to a rise in the GVA of the agriculture and allied sector, registering an average annual growth rate of 4 percent over the past five years.

As per Provisional Estimates of National Income, 2022-23 released by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), annual growth rate of Agriculture (growth rate of Gross Value Added of agriculture and allied sectors) from FY2018 to FY2023 at 2011-12 prices are as below:

Year	Growth rate of GVA of Agriculture & Allied Sector(%)
2018-19	2.10
2019-20	6.16
2020-21	4.11
2021-22	3.51
2022-23	3.96

In the year 2013-14 the budget allocation of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (including Ministry of Cooperation, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying and Department of Fisheries) was only Rs. 30,223.88 crore. This has been enhanced to Rs. 1,25,035.79 crore in 2023-24. As a percent of Gol's total budget outlay, allocation to M/o Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has increased from 1.8% in 2013-14 to 2.8 % in 2023-24. The allocation to Ministry of Agriculture Farmers and Government of India's total Budget outlay from FY2018 to FY2023 is given below:

(in ₹ crore)

Year	Budget Allocation to Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare	Gol's Total Budget Outlay
2018-19	57600.00	2442213.30
2019-20	138563.97	2786349.45
2020-21	142762.35	3042230.09
2021-22	131531.19	3483235.63
2022-23	132513.62	3944908.67
2023-24	125035.79	4503097.45

Source: Budget Document 2018-19 to 2023-24
