

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1302
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02/08/2024
SPECIAL FARM SECTOR INDICES

1302. SMT. MAHUA MAJI:

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

- (a) whether Government is creating a special farm sector index for lifting agricultural productivity and incomes in the country;
- (b) if so, the details on key components or indicators that will be included in the special farm sector indices;
- (c) the manner in which these components are selected, the details thereof;
- (d) whether these components are selected to reflect the overall performance of the agricultural sector, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and?
- (e) the manner in which the special farm sector indices can address challenges in the agriculture sector through targeted policy interventions?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) to (e): The Government monitors the agriculture sector in country through several metrics such as Gross Value Added and Gross Capital formation in agriculture, productivity of various crops, area sown, cropping intensity, area under irrigation, insurance penetration, credit flow to agriculture sector, the degree of mechanization and technology in farming practices, etc.

Agriculture being a State subject, the State Government take appropriate measures for development of agriculture and welfare of farmers in the States. However, Government of India supplements the efforts of States and welfare of farmers through appropriate policy measures and budgetary support and various schemes/ programmes to increase productivity and production such as National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), National Mission on Edible Oil-Oil Palm (NMEO-OP), Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for various crops, Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM KISAN), Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY), Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA), Promotion of Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs).
