GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH & EDUCATION

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2426

ANSWERED ON- 21/03/2025

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY KVKS

2426. MS. DOLA SEN:

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

- (a) the total number of Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) established and functioning, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of farmer training and field demonstrations conducted by the KVKs, in the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the number of farm science clubs created for inducting younger generations of farming families into the sector;
- (d) the details of major extension activities carried out by KVKs nationwide along with the number of participants/beneficiaries under each activity; and
- (e) whether Government is planning to replicate the Rythu Bharosa Kendram model at the national scale, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY)

- (a): In all, 731 Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) have been established in the country. State/UT-wise total number of KVKs established till date is given in **Annexure-I**.
- (b): The KVKs trained 58.01 lakh farmers and conducted 8.69 lakh frontline demonstrations on the new technologies of agriculture and allied sectors during last 3 years (2021-22 to 2023-24). State/UT-wise details are given in **Annexure-I**.
- (c): The KVKs have formed 709 Farm Science Clubs as one of extension activities to promote new technologies in agriculture and allied sectors. However, 100 KVKs of the country are implementing project namely Attracting and Retaining Youth in Agriculture (ARYA) for retaining younger generations of farming families into the sector. These KVKs organize skill development programmes for the youth of rural areas to take up various enterprises related to agriculture and allied sectors like, mushroom production, fruits and vegetable processing units, horticulture nursery, protected cultivation, fish farming, poultry, goat farming, piggery, duck farming, bee keeping, vermicomposting, etc.
- (d): The KVKs organize various extension programmes to develop awareness of improved agricultural technology among the farmers nationwide. In all, 605.02 lakh beneficiaries participated in the extension activities during last 3 years. Activity wise details of participants in the extension activities during last 3 years are given in **Annexure-II**.

(e): Rythu Bharosa Kendram is a Scheme of State Government of Andhra Pradesh for providing one-stop solution to farmers' needs like supply of pre-tested agriculture inputs, delivery of services, capacity building and knowledge dissemination. Agriculture being the state subject, state governments implement different schemes for the benefit of farmers and agriculture development. Government of India also implements various schemes for the development of agriculture sector and the benefits of farmers such as PM-Kisan Samman Nidhi, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Soil Health Card Scheme, Agri-Clinics & Agri-Business Centres, National Mission on Natural Farming, PM Krishi Sinchayee Yojana, KVK Scheme, etc. and considers the various initiatives and best practices of the State Governments in formulating various schemes.

[Part (a) & (b) of Rajya Sabha USQ No. 2426 dated 21/03/2025]

State/UT-wise KVKs and farmers trained as well as frontline demonstrations conducted during last 3 years (2021-22 to 2023-24)

States/UT	KVKs established till date	Farmers trained in last 3 years	Frontline demonstrations conducted in last 3 years
A & N Island	03	6078	705
Andhra Pradesh	24	165410	28867
Arunachal Pradesh	17	75985	16337
Assam	26	88766	32297
Bihar	44	569434	77409
Chhattisgarh	28	260049	28002
Delhi	01	3138	744
Goa	02	15029	514
Gujarat	30	307391	44336
Haryana	18	114553	23530
Himachal Pradesh	13	76293	20080
Jammu & Kashmir	20	102171	27346
Jharkhand	24	214563	62571
Karnataka	33	346980	33621
Kerala	14	327736	9666
Ladakh	04	29521	1598
Lakshadweep	01	1645	27
Madhya Pradesh	54	339750	43798
Maharashtra	50	636286	57159
Manipur	09	35610	7493
Meghalaya	07	49938	3460
Mizoram	08	43481	3446
Nagaland	11	42685	6203
Odisha	33	160876	27804
Puducherry	03	8219	917
Punjab	22	81618	45701
Rajasthan	47	249981	66818
Sikkim	04	15392	3007
Tamil Nadu	32	408513	22566
Telangana	16	129835	13727
Tripura	08	33685	10886
Uttar Pradesh	89	610130	86198
Uttarakhand	13	51237	26121
West Bengal	23	199349	35757
Total	731	5801327	868711

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Activity wise details of participants in the extension activities during last 3 years (2021-22 to 2023-24)

Extension Activity	Number of participants	
Advisory Services	36476390	
Diagnostic visits	1045377	
Field Day	1015005	
Group discussions	1001491	
Kisan Ghosthi	1589222	
Film Show	1294977	
Self -help groups meetings	603844	
Kisan Mela	3983363	
Exhibition	4878044	
Scientists' visit to farmers' field	1857786	
Plant/animal health camps	1163676	
Farm Science Club meeting	511645	
Ex-trainees Sammelans	605827	
Farmers' seminars/workshops	879220	
Celebration of important days	1669987	
Special day celebration	1047142	
Exposure visits	878607	
Total	60501603	