GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3875 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04/04/2025

IMPLEMENTATION OF PKVY

3875. SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

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

(a) the proportion of funds allocated under Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) utilized for training farmers in organic farming and the measurable outcomes of these training programs;

(b) whether the Ministry plans to integrate PKVY with local Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and cooperatives to enhance awareness and participation among small and marginal farmers;

(c) whether the Ministry has any plan to expand PKVY's coverage to aspirational districts and remote regions with limited access to organic farming resources; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a): Under the Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) scheme assistance is provided @Rs. 9000/ha (28.57%) out of the total assistance of Rs.31,500/ha over 3 years for training and capacity building of farmers. Training on organic farm management, organic input production and use, organic approaches for pest management, adoption of PGS standards in field practices, PGS certification procedures etc. is provided under the scheme. Till date, total area of 14.99 lakh hectares has been covered under organic farming, involving 25.30 lakh farmers under the PKVY scheme since 2015-16.

(b) to (d): The PKVY scheme provides end-to-end support to organic farmers i.e. from production to processing, certification and marketing in cluster based approach. The main focus of the scheme is to promote natural resource based integrated and climate resilient sustainable farming systems that ensure maintenance and increase of soil fertility, natural resource conservation, on-farm nutrient recycling and minimize dependence of farmers on external inputs. Under the scheme, organic clusters are formed where preference is given to small and marginal farmers and Women farmers / Women Self Help Groups formed under Ministry of Rural Development. Also priority is given to Aspirational Districts, hilly, tribal and rain-fed areas.
