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# RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 488 ANSWERED ON- 07/02/2025

# **EFFORTS TO DOUBLE FARMER'S INCOME**

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

(a) the measures being taken to double farmers' income through various Government schemes;

(b) the manner in which Government supports States in enhancing agricultural development, particularly in Uttar Pradesh;

(c) the impact of budgetary allocations on farmer welfare initiatives;

(d) whether there are specific reforms aimed at increasing crop productivity and reducing production costs; and

(e) the manner in which the success stories of farmers demonstrate the effectiveness of these income-boosting strategies?

## ANSWER

## THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

## (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) to (e): Agriculture is a State subject and Government of India supports the efforts of States through appropriate policy measures, budgetary allocation and various schemes/ programmes. The various schemes/ programmes of the Government of India are meant for the welfare of farmers by increasing production, remunerative returns and income support to farmers. The Government has substantially enhanced the budget allocation of Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare(DA&FW) from Rs. 21933.50 crore BE during 2013-14 to Rs. 1,22,528.77 crore BE during 2024-25. Major schemes/programmes initiated by DA&FW to enhance overall income of farmers and remunerative returns in the agriculture sector including Uttar Pradesh are as under:

- 1. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)
- 2. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY)
- 3. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)/ Restructured Weather Based Crop

Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS)

- 4. Modified Interest Subvention Scheme (MISS)
- 5. Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)
- 6. Formation and Promotion of 10,000 new Farmer Producers Organizations (FPOs)
- 7. National Bee Keeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)
- 8. Namo Drone Didi
- 9. National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)
- 10. Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA)
- 11. Agri Fund for Start-Ups & Rural Enterprises' (AgriSURE)
- 12. Per Drop More Crop (PDMC)
- 13. Sub-Mission on Agriculture Mechanization (SMAM)
- 14. Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)
- 15. Soil Health & Fertility (SH&F)
- 16. Rainfed Area Development (RAD)
- 17. Agroforestry
- 18. Crop Diversification Programme (CDP)
- 19. Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension (SMAE)
- 20. Sub-Mission on Seed and Planting Material (SMSP)
- 21. National Food Security and Nutrition Mission (NFSNM)
- 22. Integrated Scheme for Agriculture Marketing (ISAM)
- 23. Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)
- 24. National Mission on Edible Oils (NMEO)-Oil Palm
- 25. National Mission on Edible Oils (NMEO)-Oilseeds
- 26. Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region
- 27. Digital Agriculture Mission
- 28. National Bamboo Mission

Government is implementing National Food Security and Nutrition Mission (NFSNM) programme in all States/UTs with the objective to increase foodgrain production of rice, wheat and pulses through area expansion and productivity enhancement; restoring soil fertility and productivity; and enhancing farm level economy. Under NFSNM, assistance is given for interventions like cluster demonstrations on improved package of practices, demonstrations on cropping system, distribution of seeds of High Yielding Varieties (HYVs)/hybrids, improved farm machineries/resource conservation machineries/tools, efficient water application tools, plant protection measures, nutrient management/soil ameliorants, processing & post-harvest equipment, cropping system based trainings to the farmers etc.

Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana – Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied Sector Rejuvenation (RKVYRAFTAAR) targets at broad objectives of making farming a

remunerative economic activity through strengthening the farmer's effort, risk mitigation with major focus on pre & post-harvest infrastructure.

Government is promoting organic farming through dedicated schemes of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) and Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North East Region (MOVCDNER) in North Eastern Region. Under these schemes, farmers are primarily encouraged to adopt organic cultivation using organic inputs and the scheme provides end to end support to the farmers, i.e. from production to marketing of organic produce is built-in in the scheme.

The NITI Aayog (erstwhile Planning Commission) has conducted a study entitled "Efficacy of minimum support prices on farmers", in 2016. The study has found, among other things, that MSP declared by the Government has encouraged 78% of the farmers covered under the study for adopting improved methods of farming such as high yielding varieties of seeds, organic manure, chemical fertilizer, pesticides and improved methods of harvesting etc.

Indian Council on Agricultural Research (ICAR) has released a book, which contains compilation of **success stories of 75,000 farmers** out of innumerable successful farmers who have increased their income more than two times.

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