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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1463

ANSWERED ON- 01/08/2025

TARGETS AND PROGRESS OF VIKSIT KRISHI SANKALP ABHIYAN

1463. SMT. SANGEETA YADAV: SHRI KESRIDEVSINH JHALA: DR. KAVITA PATIDAR:

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

- (a) the outreach target aimed by the Ministry for farmers and women farmers under Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan, 2025;
- (b) the number of district-level launch events conducted across States and Union Territories;
- (c) whether the campaign incorporates field demonstrations of Indian Council of Agricultural Research-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (ICAR-CIFA) technologies;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the specific outreach target set by Gujarat under the Ministry's Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan, 2025 initiative for farmers and women farmers; and
- (f) the manner in which Gujarat is incorporating ICAR-CIFA technologies into its district-level field demonstrations as part of the campaign?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The Government had targeted to reach 1.0-1.5 crore farmers including farm women under Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan 2025. In all, 1,35,42,105 farmers including 39,72,412 farm women (29.3%) participated in the Abhiyan.
- (b): The Abhiyan was launched/organized in 728 districts across States and Union Territories.
- (c) & (d): Yes, farmers were made aware about Indian Council of Agricultural Research-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (ICAR-CIFA) technologies during the campaign. The ICAR-CIFA technologies namely, freshwater carp culture, carp seed rearing, ornamental fish rearing, catfish production, freshwater prawn, and freshwater pearl culture were showcased.

- (e): The specific outreach target set for Gujarat under the Ministry's Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan, 2025 initiative was 4.50 lakh farmers and women farmers.
- (f): During the campaign, teams of scientists created awareness among the farmers of Gujarat about advance techniques of ornamental fish rearing and pearl farming, Recirculating Aquaculture System (RAS), sustainable fishing practices, hygienic handling fish and fisheries products, etc., including ICAR-CIFA technologies like scientific methods of Carp Polyculture in Village Ponds and FRP carp hatchery technology. Further, ICAR-CIFA has developed *Matsya Setu App* and promoted this App during Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan, 2025.
