

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

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. -2268**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 19/12/2025**

**DRONE SAKHIS SELECTED UNDER NAMO DRONE DIDI SCHEME**

2268. MS. INDU BALA GOSWAMI:

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

- (a) the number of Drone Sakhi selected across the country so far, the State-wise details thereof including the State of Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) the quantum of budget allocated under the Namo Drone Didi scheme for the financial year 2023-24; and
- (c) whether the Ministry has set any target to train women under the Namo Drone Didi Scheme and if so, the details thereof

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c): The Government approved Central Sector Scheme 'Namo Drone Didi' with an outlay of Rs. 1261 Crores for the period from 2023-24 to 2025-26 for providing drones to the Women Self Help Groups (SHGs) with a view to provide sustainable business and livelihood support to them.

1094 drone have been distributed to drone didis of SHGs by Lead Fertilizer Companies (LFCs) in 2023-24 using their internal resources. The State-wise distribution of 1094 drones is attached at Annexure -I. Out of these 1094 drone distributed to drone didis, 500 drones have been distributed under the Namo Drone Didi Scheme.

The drones are supplied, as a package, which also includes mandatory drone pilot training and additional training for agriculture purpose for nutrient and pesticide application for one of the members of these women SHGs. Provisions are also available to train other member / family member of the SHGs as drone assistant.

State-wise number of drones distributed to SHGs by the LFCs in 2023-24 and the members of SHGs given drone pilot training

<b>S. No</b>	<b>State Name</b>	<b>No. of Drones distributed</b>	<b>No. of members of SHGs given drone pilot training</b>
1.	Andhra Pradesh	108	108
2.	Assam	28	28
3.	Bihar	32	32
4.	Chhattisgarh	15	15
5.	Goa	1	1
6.	Gujarat	58	58
7.	Haryana	102	102
8.	Himachal Pradesh	4	4
9.	J&K	2	2
10.	Jharkhand	15	15
11.	Karnataka	145	145
12.	Kerala	51	51
13.	Madhya Pradesh	89	89
14.	Maharashtra	60	60
15.	Odisha	16	16
16.	Punjab	57	57
17.	Rajasthan	40	40
18.	Tamil Nadu	44	44
19.	Telangana	81	81
20.	Uttar Pradesh	128	128
21.	Uttarakhand	3	3
22.	West Bengal	15	15
<b>Total</b>		<b>1094</b>	<b>1094</b>

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