

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

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 63*
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24/07/2026

IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL MISSION ON NATURAL FARMING

*63. SHRI AMAR PAL MAURYA:

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

- (a) the activities undertaken so far under the National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) during the year 2026;
- (b) the number of farmers associated with this Mission so far, along with the number of clusters and the area under natural farming, State-wise;
- (c) whether any arrangements have been made for providing training to the farmers practising natural farming, certification of their products and ensuring market linkages for the sale of their produce; and
- (d) the financial incentives or support provided to facilitate the transition towards natural farming?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 63* DUE FOR ANSWER ON 24/07/2026 REGARDING “IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL MISSION ON NATURAL FARMING”

(a): The Annual Action Plan of National Mission on Natural Farming have been approved and communicated for the States/UTs for the financial year 2026-27. The States/UTs have initiated activities as per approved plan. Till date, 4,438 clusters have been formed covering 1,12,142.80 Ha area, 2,20,581 farmers enrolled, 250 Bio-Input Resource Centres (BRCs) established and 3,774 Community Resource Persons (CRPS) trained in the financial year 2026-27.

(b): The State/UT wise number of farmers associated with this Mission so far, along with the number of clusters and the area under natural farming is given at **Annexure-I**.

(c): Under the Mission, 527 Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), 76 State Agriculture Universities (SAUs), 194 Local Natural Farming Institutes (LNFIs) have been identified to support cluster level implementation of the scheme. 18 Centres of Natural Farming Institutes (CoNFs) have been identified to impart training of Scientists (from these KVKs/ SAUs), Officials of State/Districts/Block level implementing the scheme and Farmer Master Trainers (FMTs). At a cluster level CRPs are deployed to handhold the farmers on the practices of natural farming. Such CRPs and farmers are trained by the Scientists and FMTs at KVK, SAU & LNFI.

Natural Farming Certification System (NFCS) for certification of natural farming produce has been initiated under the Mission. NFCS adopts a digital online certification under Participatory Guarantee System (PGS-INDIA NATURAL) with logo “PGS-INDIA NATURAL”. It is a decentralized, training led, low-cost, peer-reviewed certification tailored for smallholder farmers. The system ensures transparency, uniformity of standards and end-to-end traceability. The Certification Standards and Guidelines have been formulated and cover certification of farm produce and primary processed items. More than 22.47 lakh farmers have been registered under the natural farming certification system till date with more than 14.43 lakh farmers issued natural farming certificates. Natural Farming certified products are available in the market as well as on Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) for Business to Consumer sales.

(d): The support provided to facilitate the transition towards natural farming includes the following:

- (i) Output Based Incentive of ₹4000/- per acre, per year to a farmer for 2 years (up to 1 acre per farmer);
- (ii) Training of Community Resource Persons (CRPs) and farmers on the practices of natural farming;

- (iii) Support provided of ₹ 50,000/- for establishment of per Model Demonstration Farm (MDF) in KVK, SAUs, LNFI and FMT field.
- (iv) Support provided of ₹ 1,00,000/- for establishment of per Bio-input Resource Centres (BRCs) for easy availability of natural farming inputs;
- (v) Certification facilities are provided to farmers adopting natural farming for which financial assistance of ₹2,100 per hectare is provided for a period of two years.

Till date, 23,13,238 farmers have been provided support as mentioned above and expenditure of ₹ 65924.34 lakh has been incurred.

Annexure - I**State/UT-wise Physical achievements under the Mission (NMNF) as on 20.07.2026**

S. No.	State/ UT	Cluster Formation	Farmer Enrolment	Area covered (in Ha)
1	Andaman & N Islands	4	500	200
2	Andhra Pradesh	5931	651567	428252.564
3	Arunachal Pradesh	251	10982	8805.316
4	Assam	67	6683	4884.136
5	Bihar	512	57815	24255.308
6	Chhattisgarh	592	72058	31505.416
7	Delhi	6	375	150
8	Goa	13	1623	630.888
9	Gujarat	1377	146108	58740.94
10	Haryana	216	12686	10703.212
11	Himachal Pradesh	648	75313	27174.316
12	Jammu & Kashmir	249	21541	7605.048
13	Jharkhand	189	12066	5032.28
14	Karnataka	1266	133540	58136.8
15	Kerala	135	18937	7984.512
16	Ladakh	4	621	175.616
17	Madhya Pradesh	1889	168100	91199.656
18	Maharashtra	2161	168957	63014.96
19	Manipur	113	12202	4814.632
20	Meghalaya	166	9617	3223.396
21	Mizoram	363	22110	15800.15
22	Nagaland	107	7998	3473.12
23	Odisha	581	71422	27258.648
24	Puducherry	6	772	256.252
25	Punjab	71	5657	1994.28
26	Rajasthan	2810	262346	111165.58
27	Tamil Nadu	75	7947	3458.912
28	Telangana	529	62186	36800.928
29	Tripura	336	17294	6648.988
30	Uttar Pradesh	2207	240933	87246.9
31	Uttarakhand	227	24282	10066.548
32	West Bengal	230	9000	3600
	Total	23331	2313238	1144259.302
