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NATIONAL MISSION TO BOOST OIL SEEDS PRODUCTION

1457. SHRI P. P. SUNEER:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a national mission aiming to boost primary oil seeds production from 39 MT in 2022-23 to 69.7 MT by 2030-31 was launched in November 2024; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and to what extent this target has been achieved so far?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The National Mission on Edible Oils-Oilseeds (NMEO-OS) was approved on 3rd October, 2024 to boost domestic oilseed production and to strive towards self-reliance (Atmanirbhar Bharat) in edible oils. The mission aims to increase primary oilseed production from 39 million tonnes (2022-23) to 69.7 million tonnes by 2030-31.

The NMEO-OS is implemented through a cluster-based approach with market linkages. Over 600 Value Chain Cluster have been identified across the country which is managed by Value Chain Partners such as Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), cooperatives and other agencies. Under these clusters, farmers are provided free high-quality seeds of latest high yielding varieties and training on good agricultural practices. The mission supports the establishment and upgradation of post-harvest infrastructure (oil mills) to improve oil recovery from primary and secondary sources.

The mission strengthens availability of certified seeds through 100% support for purchase of breeder seeds, establishment of new seed hubs and specialised seed storage units in the public sector to enhance production and storage capacity.

The mission also focuses on improving the productivity of oilseed crops through Frontline Demonstrations (FLDs), Cluster Frontline Demonstrations (CFLDs) and Block-Level Demonstrations (BLDs) to help farmers to adopt latest high yielding varieties and good agricultural practices.

The oilseeds production has increased from 39.67 million tonnes in 2023-24 to 43.06 million tonnes in 2025-26 (3rd Advance Estimate, DA&FW). Under the mission, 13.52 lakh hectares were covered under free seed distribution in Value Chain Clusters during 2025-26, against the annual target of 10.00 lakh hectares. Seed distribution is of recently released high yielding varieties. In addition, 60 Seed Hubs & 50 specialized seed storage units have been sanctioned for production of Breeder Seeds of recently released varieties.
