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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 424 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18/07/2017

SETTING UP OF METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open Meteorological office in each and every district of the country to understand the weather trends in farming;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of Krishi Vigyan Kendras attached to the Meteorological Department in the country till date and the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the number of farmers whose mobile numbers have been directly linked with the Krishi Vigyan Kendras concerned in the country and the details thereof, State-wise, along with the benefits accrued to the farmers therefrom so far?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

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- (a) & (b): India Meteorological Department is implementing District level Agrometeorological Advisory Services (AAS) in collaboration with Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). Starting from existing 130 Agromet Field Units (AMFUs) at district level, AAS will be gradually increased to remaining districts of the country in a phased manner.
- (c) 107 Krishi Vigyan Kendras are attached to the Meteorological Department in the country. The state-wise list is placed at **Annexure-1**.
- (d) 13878276 farmers' mobile numbers have been directly linked with the Krishi Vigyan Kendras concerned in the country. The state-wise and district-wise details are placed at **Annexure-2**. The benefits accrued to the farmers are given below:-

- Advisories on pre-season operations like selection of good quality seed and testing of germination percentage which improves productivity due to good plant stand in the field.
- Rain water harvesting for storage in farm ponds and efficient use through micro irrigation at critical crop growth stages.
- Efficient planting methods using appropriate farm machinery to minimize cost of labour and increase productivity.
- Pest and disease alerts for timely management and prevention of economic crop loss and reduce morbidity and mortality in livestock, poultry and fisheries.
- Climate resilient interventions in agriculture and allied sectors.

Krishi Vigyan Kendras attached to the Meteorological Department in the country(State-wise)

S1. No.	State	Name of KVK which is linked to IMD	State-wise total number
1	Punjab	Amritsar	14
		Bathinda	
		Faridkot	
		Fatehgarh Sahib	
		Ferozepur	
		Gurdaspur	
		Hoshiarpur	
		Jalandhar	
		Moga	
		Muktsar	
		Nawanshahar	
		Patiala	
		Ropar	
		Samrala	
2	Himachal Pradesh	Bilaspur	7
		Hamirpur	
		Mandi	
		Sirmaur	
		Una	
		Kinnaur	
		Solan	
3	Jammu&		2
	Kashmir	Kathua	
		Kupwara	
4	Uttarakhand	Haridwar	1
5	Uttar Pradesh	Jhansi	1
6	Arunachal Pradesh	Lohit, Tirap, Lower Dibang Valley	3
7	Assam	Sibsagar, Udalguri, Baksa, Nalbari, Goalpara	5
8	Manipur	Chandel, Senapati	2
9	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	1
10	Nagaland	Wokha, Longleng	2
11	Mizoram	Lawngtlai, Serchhip	2
12	Sikkim	West Sikkim, South Sikkim	2
13	Tripura	Dhalai	1
14	Bihar	Araria	21
		Aurangabad	
		Banka	

		Begusarai	
		Bhagalpur	
		Bhojpur	
		East Chamapran	
		Jehanabad	
		Katihar	
		Madhepura	
		Madhubani	
		Munger	
		Muzaffarpur	
		Nalanda	
		Saharsa	
		Samastipur	
		Sheohar	
		Sitamarhi	
		Siwan	
		Vaishali	
		West Champaran	
15	Jharkhand	Dhanbad	2
		Dumka	
16	West Bengal	Hooghly	4
		Howrah	
		South 24-Parganas	
		Uttar Dinajpur	
17	Rajasthan	Tonk	19
		Jaipur	
		Baran	
		Bharatpur	
		Bhilwara	
		Bundi	
		Dungarpur	
		Jaisalmer	
		Jalore	
		Jhalawar	
		Jhunjhunu	
		Jodhpur	
		Karauli	
		Kota	
		Nagaur	
		Pali	
		Rajsamand	
		S Madhopur	
		Sirohi	
18	Gujarat	Dangs	8
	-	Kutch	
		Narmada	
		Navsari	
		Porbandar	
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		Surendranagr	
		Valsad	
		Patan	
19	Madhya Pradesh	Mandla	10
		Damoh	
		Shajapur	
		Guna	
		Shivpuri	
		Dhar	
		Betul	
		Shahdol	
		Seoni	
		Panna	
		Total	107

The number of farmers whose mobile numbers have been directly linked with the Krishi Vigyan Kendras (State-wise district-wise)

SNo.	STATE	Number of farmers linked through
		Mobile with KVK
1	A AND N ICLANDS	0062
2	A AND N ISLANDS	9963
2	ANDHRA PRADESH ARUNACHAL	317426
3	PRADESH	363
4	ASSAM	26109
5	BIHAR	587138
6	CHHATTISGARH	882215
7	GOA	22995
8	GUJARAT	514712
9	HARYANA	85241
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	546491
11	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	32884
12	JHARKAND	527067
13	KARNATAKA	237565
14	KERALA	390692
15	MADHYA PRADESH	697809
16	MAHARASHTRA	3960356
17	MANIPUR	1220
18	MEGHALAYA	811
19	MIZORAM	474
20	NAGALAND	4326
21	ODISHA	2284966
22	PUDUCHERRY	259
23	PUNJAB	195483
24	RAJASTHAN	255880
25	SIKKIM	2942
26	TAMIL NADU	696858
27	TELANGANA	221228
28	TRIPURA	14381
29	UTTAR PRADESH	746534
30	UTTARAKHAND	24276
31	WEST BENGAL	589612
	TOTAL	13878276
