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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 426 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18/07/2017

ORGANIC FARMING THROUGH KVKs

426. SHRI RAJESH PANDEY:

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

- (a) the details of the allocation of funds by the Government to Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether there are any KVKs engaged in organic farming;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for effective implementation and marketing of organic farm produces; and
- (d) the status of the initiatives taken by the Government for organic farming through KVKs?

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) The state wise details of allocation of funds to Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) during the last three years and the current year are given in **Annexure.**
- (b) & (c): The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has established a network of 679 KVKs with a mandate for technology assessment and demonstration for its application and capacity development. As part of their activities, the KVKs impart training to farmers in various aspects of agriculture including organic farming practices like vermi composting, green manuring, production and use of bio- fertilizers and bio-pesticides etc. Moreover, the Sikkim State has been declared officially as an Organic State where four KVKs namely; East Sikkim, West Sikkim, South Sikkim and North Sikkim have taken up various programmes on organic farming.

As far as marketing of organic farm produces is concerned, provisions have been made in the Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region, as a Sub Mission of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture, under which State Lead agencies assist farmers' and farmers' producer companies in developing their market initiatives including common packaging, labeling and common brand promotion.

(d) As a new initiative 21 KVKs have conducted Skill Development Training Programmes on organic grower and vermi-compost producers job roles benefitting 367 rural youths during 2016-17. Besides, the KVKs are involved in creating awareness among farmers to adopt organic farming practices for availing benefits of the Government schemes promoting organic farming.

State-wise and year-wise amount allocated to Krishi Vigyan Kendras during the last three years and current year.

(Rs. In lakh)

S.No	State	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	208.15	288.90	380.94	649.90
2.	Andhra Pradesh	1255.52	1998.32	2773.96	2692.31
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	1560.64	1861.56	2079.40	1762.50
4.	Assam	2455.06	2618.96	3712.61	2965.73
5.	Bihar	2585.47	3303.22	4389.79	5097.69
6.	Chhattisgarh	1384.71	2232.70	2834.33	2929.11
7.	Delhi	107.10	115.65	101.59	111.26
8.	Goa	156.31	187.88	161.87	217.89
9.	Gujarat	2288.79	2532.70	2981.16	2873.19
10.	Haryana	1578.08	1838.07	1971.28	1995.68
11.	Himachal Pradesh	1009.18	1210.12	1471.68	1652.41
12.	Jammu & Kashmir	1512.47	1898.90	2250.55	2650.95
13.	Jharkhand	1414.38	1854.00	2309.47	2736.25
14.	Karnataka	2367.57	2733.65	3249.13	3825.12
15.	Kerala	1203.35	1367.92	1658.78	1551.40
16.	Lakshadweep	46.22	42.80	23.56	0.00
17.	Madhya Pradesh	3111.92	4377.02	5091.51	5204.14
18.	Maharashtra	3365.61	4426.68	5633.37	5829.43
	Manipur	1103.00	1294.81	1495.81	1158.04
20.	Meghalaya	430.00	473.22	573.80	650.16
	Mizoram	932.17	1021.20	1197.89	925.20
22.	Nagaland	1226.75	1159.15	1456.81	1204.10
23.	Orissa	1957.74	3132.13	3414.03	3116.35
24.	Pondicherry	179.55	211.86	173.70	0.00
25.	Punjab	1855.01	2063.16	2481.77	2555.94
26.	Rajasthan	3731.78	3851.65	4505.35	4637.80
27.	Sikkim	401.20	427.25	494.85	402.94
28.	Tamil Nadu	2566.08	2709.09	3269.05	3621.85
29.	Telangana	834.54	1268.00	1480.92	1827.47
30.	Tripura	344.75	344.90	428.94	558.30
31.	Uttar Pradesh	5964.08	7142.50	7968.00	8221.89
32.	Uttarakhand	878.07	1147.50	1560.19	1467.33
33.	West Bengal	1483.53	2013.92	2718.99	3607.79
Total		51498.78	63149.39	76295.08	78700.12
