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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2498

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND JANUARY, 2018

ORGANIC FARMING IN ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS

2498. SHRI BISHNU PADA RAY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE ‡ãðŠãäÓã एवं किसान कल्याण ½ãâ¨ããè be pleased to state:

(a) the details of policies, programmes and projects for promotion of organic farming in Andaman and Nicobar Islands;

(b) the details of funding under the scheme till date; and

(c) the details of achievements made thereunder and the changes it has brought in the agricultural economy of the region and to the farmers, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): The Government is promoting organic farming under the scheme of Paramaparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) of National Mission of Sustainable Agriculture(NMSA) in the State of Andaman and Nicobar Islands . The details of funds allocated for 68 clusters during the year 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 are Rs 485.39 lakhs, Rs.342.49 lakhs and Rs.198.89 lakhs respectively. An amount of Rs.130.00 lakhs is released during the period 2015-16.

(c): Under the PKVY scheme, groups of farmers are motivated to take up organic farming, where 50 or more farmers have formed clusters having 20 hectares land . As on date, 47 clusters covering an area of 1020 hectares & 1275 no. of farmers in various zones have been identified for Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) Certification. The farmers are now adopting organic farming in their fields. The details of achievements (organic area covered and clusters formed) State/UT-wise under PKVY is given at **Annexure-I.**

Annexure-I

Name of	No. of	Area
No the State	Cluster	in hactare.
1 Andhra Pradesh	472	9440
2 Bihar	427	8540
3 Chhattisgarh	200	4000
4 Gujarat	100	2000
5 Goa	4	80
6 Haryana	20	400
7 Jharkhand	250	5000
8 Karnataka	545	10900
9 Kerala	619	12380
0 Madhya Pradesh	1380	27600
1 Maharashtra	1258	25160
L2 Odisha	320	6400
.3 Punjab	250	5000
L4 Rajasthan	1150	23000
5 Tamil Nadu	112	2240
6 Telangana	690	13800
7 Uttar Pradesh	620	12400
8 West Bengal	120	2400
9 Assam	220	4400
Arunachal Prades	h 19	380
1 Mizoram	34	680
2 Manipur	30	600
8 Nagaland	24	480
1 Sikkim	150	3000
5 Tripura	50	1000
6 Meghalaya	45	900
7 Himachal Pradesh	210	4200
3 Jammu & Kashmii	- 28	560
9 Uttarakhand	585	11700
0 Andman & Nicoba	ır 68	1360
Total	10000	200000
