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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION & FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO. 458**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018

**CROP INSURANCE COVER**

\*458. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the matter that banks/ companies/employers are not giving receipts/insurance policies to the farmers while providing crop insurance cover to them and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any probe in this regard, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the reasons for not giving receipts/ insurance policies to the farmers even after crop insurance;
- (d) the directions issued by the Government to the said banks/companies/ employers in this regard; and
- (e) whether the Government has reviewed the matter and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH)

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 458 DUE FOR REPLY ON 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018.**

(a) to (e): In order to facilitate farmers availing crop insurance, Government decided that banks would provide loanee farmers with a pocket size folio alongwith acknowledgement receipt on their enrolment under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) and Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS) from Rabi 2016-17 season onwards. Further, from Kharif 2017 provision was made for non-loanee farmers enrolling directly on the portal or through Common Service Centers (CSC) to receive the acknowledgement receipt immediately on enrolment. The acknowledgement receipt contains all the information relating to insurance like sum insured, premium crop, company's details etc. Non-loanee farmers approaching insurance companies directly or through their intermediaries get the receipts immediately from them.

The Government has reviewed the matter from time to time and is consistently working on improving the system given the scenario of ground level issues, especially related to banks. It was therefore, decided to also issue SMSs from Kharif 2017 and almost 10 lakh SMSs were issued to farmers on receipt of their data from banks on portal. It has further been decided to develop an online feature on National Crop Insurance Portal to enable all farmers i.e. loanee and non-loanee to obtain acknowledgement receipt anywhere any time from the portal itself by establishing their identity.

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