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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2885 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13/03/2018

TRAINING ON FARMING SECTOR

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

- (a) the number of people trained by the Government in agriculture, horticulture, dairy and fishery sectors;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to devise new courses for training on the above sectors as per the requirements of the Himalayan States including Uttarakhand and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the training courses related to organic farming, floriculture, production of herbs, fruits processing and horticulture are being offered and if so, the details thereof along with the number of people benefitted from the said courses?

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) About 19.98 lakh persons/farmers/farm women/rural youth in the country including Uttarakhand state have been provided training during 2017-18 in the field of agriculture, horticulture, dairy and fishery.
- (b) The need based training courses for training of farmers/stakeholders are being devised continuously by the ICAR institutes, KVKs in agriculture, horticulture, dairy and fishery considering the requirement of all Himalayan states

including Uttarakhand. Further courses on Advances in Horticultural Production Technology, Model training module on soil, water and plant sample testing and Integrated Nutrient Management in horticultural cropping systems, Mushroom cultivated of different types of mushrooms, trainings on Subtropical Fruits for the farmers of subtropical regions of Himalayan States, Orchid cultivation, Improved production technologies of flowers and value addition, Vegetable crops production, Fruit crops production, Ornamental crops production, Horticultural crops production, Protected cultivation/Hi Tech nursery, Organic /Eco friendly farming, Post-Harvest handling, Plant protection, Irrigation methods, Seed production etc. are devised for the training of farmers.

(c) Training courses on organic farming, floriculture, production of herbs, fruits processing and horticulture are being conducted from time to time by ICAR institutes and KVKs as per the requirement of farmers/stakeholders. Similarly institute and regional research centres of institutes working in the Himalayan States including Uttarakhand are being organised training programmes as per the needs of farmers/stakeholders.

The training courses offered and numbers of benefitted farmers particularly for Northern Himalayan States are **annexed**.

Training courses offered and farmers benefitted during 2017-18

S.	Activities	Himanchal Pradesh		Uttarakhand		Jammu & Kashmir	
No.		No. of	Farmers	No. of	Farmers	No. of	Farmers
		training	benefitted	training	benefitted	training	benefitted
		courses		courses		courses	
1.	Organic Farming	19	577	8	175	37	1500
2.	Floriculture	14	168	5	122	26	520
3.	Production of Herbs	1	27	2	36	3	41
4.	Fruit processing and value addition	32	645	76	1570	26	783
5.	Horticultural	102	3874	156	3559	128	3780
	Total	168	5291	247	5462	220	6624
