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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 530
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6TH FEBRUARY, 2018

NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY MISSION

530. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

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

- (a) the present status of progress of National Food Security Mission and the details of the States which are implementing the Mission;
- (b) whether there has been a decrease in the food production due to drought in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the efforts being made by the Government especially in the drought affected Bundelkhand region to increase the production of pulses?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) & (b): National Food Security Mission (NFSM) is being implemented in 638 districts of 29 states. NFSM-Rice is implemented in 194 districts of 25 states, NFSM-Wheat in 126 districts of 11 states, NFSM-Pulses in 638 districts of 29 states and NFSM-Coarse Cereals in 265 districts of 28 states in the country for increasing production and productivity of these crops.

Presently, there has not been any decrease in the foodgrains production due to drought in the country. However, during the year 2014-15 and 2015-16, the foodgrains production gone down due to severe drought in various parts of the country and the situation has improved during the year 2016-17 due to concerted efforts taken by the Government of India. As per 4th Advance Estimates, production of foodgrains has been estimated at 275.68 million tonnes during 2016-17 which is higher by 10.64 million tonnes than the previous record production of food grains in 2013-14.

(c): Government of India has been providing financial support for promotion of pulses under NFSM-Pulses Programme since the year 2007-08. To boost the production of pulses further, incentives for seed production to seed producing agencies, distribution of seed minikits of newer varieties, creation of seed hubs for availability of quality seeds in all 29 states including Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh are being provided from 2016-17.
