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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5792

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3RD APRIL, 2018

CROP SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT OF FERTILIZERS

5792. SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government is considering to develop a software to generate crop specific and site specific recommendation of fertilizers and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government is considering to expand the seed village programmes from the existing 30,000 to 60,000 villages and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a): National Informatics Centre, MeitY has designed and developed web based and smart phone based software in the form of portal to generate crop specific recommendations of the fertilizers. The software facilitates web and mobile app based registration of soil samples, test results entry, automatic calculations of fertilizers recommendations and generation of Soil Health Card. Soil Health Card provides recommendations of fertilizers, biofertilizers, organic fertilizers and necessary soil ameliorations.

(b): To upgrade the quality of farmer's saved seeds, Seed Village Programme is in operation under Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Material (SMSP). The Government has expanded the target of seed villages from 30,000 to 60,000 seed villages during the year 2017-18. Against this, 61,167 number of seed villages have been organized in the country during the year 2017-18 as on date.
