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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1001
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24TH JULY, 2018

INVESTMENT IN AGRO-INFRASTRUCTURAL PROJECTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has started a scheme to provide subsidy on capital investment in agro-infrastructure projects;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with its likely impact on the agriculture sector;
- (c) the time by which the scheme is likely to be started; and
- (d) the projects included in the agro-infrastructure sector?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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

(a) to (d): The Government is implementing several schemes to provide investment in agro-infrastructure projects. Capital investment subsidy sub-scheme "Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure (AMI)" of Integrated Scheme for Agricultural Marketing (ISAM) for creation of Agricultural Marketing infrastructure including storage infrastructure is being implemented. The erstwhile two schemes viz. (i) Grameen Bhandaran Yojana (GBY) implemented since 01.04.2001, and (ii) Scheme for Strengthening/Development of Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure, Grading & Standardization (AMIGS) implemented since 20.10.2004 have been subsumed into one sub-scheme known as Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure (AMI) w.e.f. 01.04.2014. Under the scheme, the subsidy @25% and 33.33% is provided on the capital cost of the project for general and special categories of beneficiaries. Besides, Government is also implementing a scheme on Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture for holistic development of horticulture which includes creation of post harvest infrastructure. Under the scheme credit linked back ended subsidy on capital cost is available for creation of post harvest infrastructure which includes creation of integrated pack house, pre-cooling, cold storage, ripening chamber, cold room, reefer transport etc. Under Soil Health Management Scheme of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), assistance is provided to states for strengthening and creation of soil testing infrastructure. For agricultural mechanization in the country, Sub Mission on Agriculture Mechanization has been introduced w.e.f. 2014-15. Subsidy is provided for establishment of custom hiring centres of agricultural machinery. Micro-irrigation is also incentivized through subsidy to ensure per drop more crop. Through the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY-RAFTAAR), the state also proposes various projects to provide subsidy on capital investment in agro infrastructure projects
