

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2116
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 31ST JULY, 2018

NFSM-COARSE

2116. SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA:

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

- (a) the details of the criteria for selection of districts which are included under NFSM-Coarse cereals list;
- (b) whether the Government is considering to increase the number of districts under the Mission in Odisha to include Balasore, Mayurbhanj and Sundargarh districts due to their large acreage under maize and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the pattern of assistance given under the scheme for seed subsidy in case of pulse seed has been increased in keeping with the rising seed cost of pulses and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is considering to enhance subsidy for pulse seeds and for Water use Efficiency tools to encourage use of sprinklers, pumpsets, rainguns, etc. in Left-Wing Extremism affected districts?

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): The criteria for selection of districts under Coarse Cereals are the districts covering 70% of the total Coarse Cereals area of the State have only been selected under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) – Coarse Cereals.
- (b): Since Balasore, Mayurbhanj and Sundargarh districts do not fall within 70% of the area of Coarse Cereals in the State, hence do not qualify within the criteria for inclusion under NFSM- Coarse Cereals.
- (c) & (d): Yes, Madam. From the year 2018-19 the pattern of assistance for seed distribution and seed production of pulses under the Mission has been increased from 50% of cost limited to Rs.2,500/- per quintal to 50% of cost limited to Rs.5,000/- per quintal for varieties released within last 10 years. Assistance for water use efficiency tools such as sprinkles is @ 50% of cost limited to Rs.10,000/- per ha, pumpsets is 50% of cost limited to Rs.10,000/- per unit and rainguns is @50% of cost limited to Rs.15,000/- per unit in all the districts of the country covered under NFSM-Pulses including Left-Wing Extremism affected districts.
