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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3280
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7TH AUGUST, 2018

REALIGNMENT OF CROPPING PATTERN

3280. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to realign cropping patterns of the country with water availability and land productivity; and
- (b) 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 GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) & (b): The farmers are encouraged to use available resources like land and water judiciously. The new technologies on cropping pattern are demonstrated at the farmers fields through State Department of Agriculture/Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)/State Agricultural Universities (SAUs)/Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), etc. The cropping pattern is dependent on various factors viz. Agro- climatic condition of the region, availability of resources like land & water, market forces, socio-economic condition of the farmers and change as per the available resources.

The Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, however, supplement the efforts of the states to diversify agricultural/horticultural crops as per the local need through various schemes viz Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY)/ Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)/ National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA)/Rainfed Area Development (RAD) etc.
