

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1176**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2018

**CROP DAMAGE DUE TO UNSEASONAL RAIN**

1176. SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that around 400 villages, most of them in Amrawati, Aurangabad and Nagpur districts were affected in the hail and unseasonal rain that lashed Maharashtra;
- (b) whether the unseasonal rain and hail in western Vidarbha and Marathwada region caused significant crop damage to vegetables, wheat, bengal gram, jowar, safflower, oranges, grapes, mangoes and pomegranates and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take a sympathetic view in the matter and take steps to extend all possible help and financial assistance to the affected farmers; and
- (d) 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) to (d): As per the available information, damage has occurred to Rabi crops due to untimely rains and hailstorm in some parts of the country, including Maharashtra. No Memorandum for Central assistance in the wake of hailstorm has been received from the Government of Maharashtra during 2017-18 and there after.

The entire Central share of SDRF for 2017-18 amounting to Rs.1226.25 crore has been released to Maharashtra.

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