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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1347
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18TH DECEMBER, 2018

PROMOTION OF ORGANIC FARMING

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

- (a) the schemes formulated by the Government for promoting organic farming in the country along with the details of total area under organic farming in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the schemes under which the State of Sikkim has become the organic farming State;
- (c) the number of farmers covered under the scheme and the incentive plan of budgetary allocation for the same during the last three years;
- (d) the details of the scheme formulated by the Government to provide benefit to the farmers under the produce formula;
- (e) whether there is a difference in the prices of organic produce when compared to that of non-organic produce and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether the Government is trying to promote and support organic farming and its marketing to reduce the prices of organic produce, 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): Govt. of India is promoting organic farming in the country through the dedicated schemes of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) and Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER) under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA). Total Area covered under the schemes is 2.84 lakh hectares during the period 2015-16 to 2017-2018. The State State-wise detail of total area under organic farming under these schemes is given at Annexure-I. Sikkim has been implementing both the organic farming schemes. The no. of farmers covered under PKVY and MOVCDNER schemes during 2015-16 to 2017-2018 is 5,94,550 and 48,948 respectively. The budgetary allocation for the last three years of PKVY & MOVCDNER Scheme is given as under:

(Rs in crore)

Scheme	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
PKVY	300	297	350
MOVCDNER	125	100	100

Under these schemes, incentives are provided for formation of farmers' clusters/Farmer Producer Organisations, capacity building of farmers, support for on-farm and off-farm inputs, value addition in terms of processing, establishment of post harvest infrastructure, and marketing of organic products produced by the farmers.

(e) & (f): The variation in the price of organic produce compared to non-organic produce can be attributed to better quality of the organic product; their limited availability and intensive farming practices to be followed by farmers under organic farming.

Government is promoting, supporting organic farming and marketing of organic produce by providing farming and marketing of organic produce by providing subsidies under the schemes of PKVY & MOVCDNER for various activities starting from production to marketing. The price of organic products will stabilize with more availability/increase in quantum of organic products in the market i.e. when more farmers adopt the organic farming practices.

State-wise area covered under organic farming for the year 2016- till date (are in hectare)			
Sl. No.	State Name	ParamparagatKrishiVikasYojana (PKVY)	Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region(MOVCDNER)
1	Andhra Pradesh	26000	-
2	Arunachal Pradesh	380	5000
3	Assam	4400	5000
4	Bihar	8540	-
5	Chhattisgarh	4000	-
6	Goa	80	-
7	Gujarat	2000	-
8	Haryana	400	-
9	Himachal Pradesh	4200	-
10	Jammu & Kashmir	560	-
11	Jharkhand	5000	-
12	Karnataka	10900	-
13	Kerala	12380	-
14	Lakshadweep	-	-
15	Madhya Pradesh	27600	-
16	Maharashtra	25160	-
17	Manipur	600	5000
18	Meghalaya	900	6430
19	Mizoram	680	4053
20	Nagaland	480	6000
21	Delhi	10000	-
22	Odisha	6400	-
23	Pondicherry	160	-
24	Punjab	5000	-
25	Rajasthan	23000	-
26	Sikkim	3000	12435
27	Tamil Nadu	2240	-
28	Telangana	13800	-
29	Tripura	1000	2000
30	Uttar Pradesh	12400	-
31	Uttarakhand	11700	-
32	West Bengal	2400	-
33	Andaman	1360	-
34	Daman & Diu	1100	-
35	Dadar Nagar	10000	-
Total		237820	45918

Grand Total (area covered under PKVY & MOVCDNER): 2.84 Lakh Ha