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INDIA AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK FORUM

438. SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently organised the India Agricultural Outlook Forum in New Delhi;
- (b) if so, the issues of national and international importance which were addressed in the forum; and
- (c) the details of the forum and the manner in which it will help in agricultural development and enable farmers profit and prosper?

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) to (c): Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare organized the 'India Agricultural Outlook Forum 2018' on 10-11 September, 2018 in New Delhi. The Forum serves as a platform for exchange of national and international agricultural outlook, policy insights and expertise on various agricultural development issues.

The Forum deliberated on long-term demand and supply projections of agricultural commodities for India prepared by NITI Aayog and Global Agriculture Outlook prepared by Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO). The other major issues addressed in the Forum, include need for innovative farm technology and management, regulatory issues in agriculture, challenges in water management and agricultural insurance, crop residue management, agricultural value chain, agricultural trade, food safety & standards, etc.

This multi-stakeholder consultative process of sharing of experiences and best practices is envisaged to play an important role in making effective and informed policy decisions and thereby creating an enabling environment for the farmers to profit and prosper.

Important resources related to the Forum are available on the website:

https://farmer.gov.in/iaof/IAOF_Home.aspx#
