

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

**LOK SABHA**  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3666  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2019

**DISTRIBUTION OF QUALITY SEEDS**

3666. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to distribute improved varieties of seeds;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has expanded the seed distribution centres for providing improved varieties of seeds to the farmers in Bundelkhand; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir.

The Government of India is providing financial assistance for production and distribution of improved/High Yielding Varieties (HYVs) seeds to the States and implementing agencies through various ongoing Crop Development Programmes/Schemes viz. National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Bringing Green Revolution in Eastern India (BGREI), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), Sub-Mission on Seeds & Planting Material (SMSP) under National Mission on Agricultural Extension & Technology (NMAET) etc.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir.

For providing improved varieties of seeds to the farmers in Bundelkhand region following steps is being taken.

- i. Government of Madhya Pradesh has constructed 22 Seed Distribution centres (Agriculture Input Centres) in Bundelkhand region (Madhya Pradesh).
- ii. Government of Uttar Pradesh is providing special subsidy up to 80% on seed cost under the scheme Subsidy on *Certified Seed Distribution* including 7 districts of Bundelkhand.
- iii. Farmers Producers Organizations (FPOs) and Agri-junctions have also been authorized to distribute quality seeds.
- iv. One Seed Hub on Oilseeds has been established under the Rani Laxmi Bai Central Agricultural University, Jhansi which is catering to the need of mustard seeds of Bundelkhand farmers.

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