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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3799 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 16TH JULY, 2019

ORGANIC FARMING

3799. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

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

- (a) whether the economic condition of farmers in the country can be improved by organic farming as organic farming is zero budget farming and there is a huge market for organic foodgrains across the world;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has urged all the States to begin organic farming in at least one district of every State; and
- (d) if so, the details of the States where initiative in this regard had been taken along with the names of the States where no such initiative has been taken so far?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d): Realizing the potential and benefits of organic farming and to improve the economic condition of farmers in the country, Government of India is promoting organic farming 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) since 2015-16. Under PKVY, flexibility is given to states to adopt any model of Organic Farming including ZBNF depending on farmer's choice that is free from chemicals, pesticides residues and adopts eco-friendly low cost technologies.

Under PKVY, assistance of RS 50,000 per hectare/ 3 years is allowed out of which Rs. 31,000 (61%) is provided to farmer directly through DBT for input (biofertilisers, biopesticides, vermicompost, botanical extracts etc) production/ procurement, packing, marketing etc.

Under MOVCDNER, assistance is provided to the farmers in a value chain mode starting from formation of Farmers Producer Organisations (FPOs), on/off farm input production, supply of seeds/ planting materials, post harvest infrastructure including collection, sorting, grading facilities, establishment of integrated processing unit, refrigerated transportation, pre-cooling/cold stores chamber, branding, labelling and packaging, etc.

These schemes are implemented through State Governments at district and village level depending on the interest of the farmers. PKVY scheme is being implemented in 29 States & UTs and MOVCDNER scheme is implemented in the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura since 2015-16.

The State/UT-wise details of clusters formed and area covered under the schemes are given at **Annexure I & II**.

Annexure- I

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Phase-I(2015-16 to 20	Phase-II(2018-19 to 2020-21)		
		No of clusters	Area	No of clusters	Area
1	Andhra Pradesh	1300	26000	4000	80000
2	Bihar	427	8540	102	0
3	Chhattisgarh	200	4000	1000	20000
4	Gujarat	100	2000	0	0
5	Goa	4	80	500	10000
6	Haryana	20	400	0	0
7	Jharkhand	250	5000	750	0
8	Karnataka	545	10900	500	0
9	Kerala	619	12380	110	0
10	Madhya Pradesh	1380	27600	2448	48960
11	Maharashtra	1258	25160	350	0
12	Odisha	320	6400	720	14400
13	Punjab	250	5000	100	0
14	Rajasthan	1150	23000	5000	100000
15	Tamil Nadu	112	2240	200	4000
16	Telangana	690	13800	0	0
17	Uttar Pradesh	620	12400	500	0
18	West Bengal	120	2400	0	0
19	Assam	220	4400	0	0
20	Arunachal Pradesh	19	380	0	0
21	Mizoram	34	680	0	0
22	Manipur	30	600	0	0
23	Nagaland	24	480	0	0
24	Sikkim	150	3000	0	0
25	Tripura	50	1000	0	0
26	Meghalaya	45	900	0	0
27	Himachal Pradesh	210	4200	75	0
28	Jammu &Kashmir	28	560	25	0
29	Uttarakhand	585	11700	3900	78000
30	Andman & Nicobar	68	1360	0	0
31	Daman & Diu	55	1100	0	0
32	Dadar Nagar	500	10000	0	0
33	Delhi	500	10000	0	0
34	Puducherry	8	160	20	400
35	Chandigarh	0	0	65	1300
36	Lakshadweep	0	0	135	2700
	Total	11891	237820	20500	359760

Annexure- II

State-wise clusters and area under MOVCDNER schemes during period Phase-I & Phase – II.

Sr	States	Phase-I				Phase-II			
No		Area		Clusters/ FIGs		Area		Clusters/ FIGs	
		Target Area	Area covered	Target Clusters	Clusters Formed	Target Area	Area covered	Target Clusters	Clusters Formed
1	Arunachal Pradesh	5000	5000	250	248	5500	Under Process	275	0
2	Assam	5000	5000	250	261	5000	Under Process	250	0
3	Manipur	5000	5000	250	250	7500	7500	375	300
4	Mizoram	7000	4053	350	214	6000	2603	300	226
5	Meghalaya	6000	6430	300	359	8000	Under Process	400	0
6	Nagaland	6000	6000	300	300	7000	7000	350	350
7	Sikkim	14000	12435	700	700	7000	7000 ha	350	0
8	Tripura	2000	2000	100	132	4000	3000	200	183
Total		50000	45918	2500	2464	50000	20103	2500	1059
