

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4972**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY, 2019

**INVESTMENT IN AGRICULTURE**

4972. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to invest a huge amount for giving a boost to agricultural productivity;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action plan for the country with special reference to Tamil Nadu;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to announce separate Agriculture Budget from the next financial year; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री ( SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): The Government is fully committed to promoting sufficient and huge amount of investment in the farm sector to boost agricultural productivity in the country including Tamil Nadu. Investment will be both in the public and private sector. The Government has been working proactively through various policy and programmatic interventions to create the environment to facilitate these investments.

The 5th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog was held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2019 in which Transforming Agriculture: “Need for Structural Reforms” formed part of the agenda. The need for undertaking structural reforms in agriculture including encouraging corporate investment was emphasized.

- (c): At present there is no proposal to announce separate Agriculture Budget.
- (d) In view of (c) above, does not arise.

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