# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE& FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2197

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20th DECEMBER, 2022

## PROMOTION OF WOOD BEARING TREES AND TIMBER PLANTATION

2197. DR. BHARATIBEN DHIRUBHAI SHIYAL:

SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI: DR. ARVIND KUMAR SHARMA: SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has started any scheme to promote wood-bearing trees and plantation of timber trees on farmers' land in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the States in which it has been/is likely to be launched; and
- (c) whether there is any provision to provide financial assistance to the farmers under the said scheme and 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 Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Sub-Mission on Agroforestry (SMAF) was implemented by the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare since 2016-17 to encourage tree plantation on farm land along with crops/ cropping systems to help the farmers get additional income and make their farming systems more climate resilient and adaptive. The scheme was implemented in 21 States viz. Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Mizoram, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland and 2 Union Territories viz. Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh with funding pattern of 60:40 between Centre and State Govt. for all States except NE & Hilly states, where funding pattern is 90:10 between Centre and State Governments and 100% central funding in case of UTs & National Level Agencies. The scheme is implemented in the States having liberalized transit regulations for transport of timber.
- c): Under the scheme, 50% financial assistance to farmers was given through State Govt. for nursery development, boundary plantation and block plantation of prominent tree species.

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