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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4499 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH March. 2023

PADDY CULTIVATION AREA

4499 SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state;

- (a) the total area under Paddy cultivation in the country along with the acreage thereof in the NorthEast regions including Assam;
- (b) whether the Paddy cultivation and production has been adversely affected in the North-East regions including Assam during recent years due to the unpredictability of monsoon;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to tackle the crisis caused due to very low rainfall against the normal monsoon season in several parts of the country including Assam?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a) to (c): The production of a crop depends on various factors such as weather extremities, rainfall, agro-climatic condition, soil type, irrigation facilities, types of crops cultivated, use of fertilizers and pesticides, length of growing seasons, technology used etc. The details of area and production under paddy (in terms of rice) in the country including North East regionduring the last 3 yearsi.e. 2019-20 to 2021-22is given at Annexure.
- (d): The Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) coordinates the relief measures necessitated by drought, hailstorm, pest attack and cold wave/frost. The State Government is primarily responsible for providing necessary relief measures in the wake of natural calamities. For undertaking relief measures, funds are available with the State Government in the form of the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF). Additional financial assistance, over and above SDRF, is considered from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) for natural calamities of a severe nature and is approved on the basis of a Memorandum received from the State Government, in accordance with established procedures.

<u>Annexure</u>

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q No. 4499 due for reply on 28.03.2023

Area and production under Paddy (in terms of rice) in the country including North East region

State/ UT						
	Area ('000 Hectares)			Production ('000 Tonnes)		
	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Arunachal Pradesh	133.50	133.77	136.48	244.73	247.08	252.38
Assam	2290.52	2360.47	2353.26	4984.63	5214.76	4382.14
Manipur	175.60	225.77	200.03	385.50	602.15	567.37
Meghalaya	110.98	107.60	108.49	303.44	295.85	297.32
Mizoram	35.21	35.25	34.91	60.01	62.19	60.87
Nagaland	216.95	218.81	122.08	363.31	367.39	150.67
Sikkim	8.69	8.70	8.61	16.14	16.19	16.03
Tripura	267.34	263.79	255.74	810.24	803.12	810.95
Total NE Region	3238.78	3354.15	3219.60	7168.00	7608.73	6537.72
All India	43662.30	4568.69	46278.68	118870.32	124368.32	129471.42
