GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 702 TO BE ANSWERED ON 7th FEBRUARY, 2023

EXHIBITIONS FOR FARMERS

702. SHRI GYANESHWAR PATIL: SHRI NAYAB SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to organize exhibitions at the Gram Panchayat level to make the farmers aware about the best agricultural seeds, equipment and latest methods of irrigation so that the knowledge acquired from the laboratories of pioneering agricultural institutes and universities can be practically utilized in the farms and the farmers can get benefitted;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to organize training camps/loan fairs at block/district level for the farmers regularly in this regard and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the requests received from various States/UTs of the country including Khandwa and Kurukshetra Parliamentary Constituencies in this regard during the last three years till date along with the action taken thereon?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) and Institutes of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) regularly organize exhibitions/farmers' fairs to disseminate information about innovations/technologies including high quality seeds, equipment and latest methods of irrigation to the farmers. The credit agencies including banks also participate in such exhibitions/farmers' fairs to create awareness regarding different loan related schemes. Besides, Government also implements a centrally sponsored scheme namely 'Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms" popularly known as 'ATMA (Agricultural Technology Management Agency) Scheme' to support efforts of State Governments in making available latest agricultural technologies through various activities including exhibition/farmers' fairs. A total of 48327 exhibitions/ farmers' fairs were organized with participation of 1.48 crore farmers during the last three years and till date. States/Union Territories wise details of exhibitions/farmers' fairs organized during the last three years and till date by KVKs, ICAR Institutes and ATMAs are given in Annexure-I.

The KVKs, ICAR Institutes, ATMAs and Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) also organize training programmes for upgrading skills and knowledge of farmers on latest agricultural technologies. The platform of Kisan Channel of Doordarshan is also utilized to create awareness among farmers about agricultural technologies and related skills. A total of 3.20 lakh training programmes were organized for 87.47 lakh farmers during the last three years and till date.

ANNEXURE-I [Part (a) to (d) of Unstarred Question No. 702 to be answered on 7th February, 2023]

States/Union Territories wise details of exhibitions/farmers' fairs organized by KVKs, ICAR Institutes and ATMA during last three years and current year

Name of State/UT	2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		Total	
	Exhibiti on/ farmers' fairs organize d	No. of participants	Exhibiti on/ farmers' fairs organize d	No. of participant	Exhibiti on/ farmers' fairs organize d	No. of participan ts	Exhibiti on/ farmers' fairs organize d	No. of participan ts	Exhibiti on/ farmers' fairs organize d	No. of participants
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	232	6975	118	3190	112	5567	213	2497	675	18229
Andhra Pradesh	290	83949	125	32441	269	54298	103	4593	787	175281
Arunachal Pradesh	197	72737	231	37392	22	116800	24	13005	474	239934
Assam	61	20373	13	4380	18	5597	45	16307	137	46657
Bihar	1008	110664	1200	166444	719	128052	178	46474	3105	451634
Chhattisgarh	601	79068	344	56553	183	33369	108	35125	1236	204115
Delhi	9	84908	5	44006	6	3033	3	508	23	132455
Goa	14	1162	11	380	6	2350	27	4839	58	8731
Gujarat	861	179564	542	82370	681	86505	397	37793	2481	386232

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Haryana	492	143877	360	22178	350	34891	228	12310	1430	213256
Himachal Pradesh	111	20032	85	8750	145	14610	87	9269	428	52661
Jammu & Kashmir	171	6177	76	713	266	16291	104	20545	617	43726
Jharkhand	509	130764	503	79357	405	21559	311	21176	1728	252856
Karnataka	618	1468463	535	1938730	394	960622	483	1317152	2030	5684967
Kerala	169	538095	61	145724	42	26735	112	125899	384	836453
Ladakh	8	1304	4	92	10	1356	18	5150	40	7902
Lakshadweep	28	1080	0	0	1	36	1	136	30	1252
Madhya Pradesh	1022	176604	828	93123	347	19914	680	45554	2877	335195
Maharashtra	650	488643	441	159806	227	203444	498	426436	1816	1278329
Manipur	35	5607	15	1420	109	5283	63	8738	222	21048
Meghalaya	30	11329	21	1800	73	2012	64	2265	188	17406
Mizoram	51	8017	40	2424	5	968	45	5481	141	16890

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Nagaland	207	38542	176	23511	100	1785	109	18240	592	82078
Odisha	203	72442	113	21561	855	26978	124	43348	1295	164329
Puducherry	17	20167	18	115675	36	13542	23	3746	94	153130
Punjab	356	206649	396	8247	473	56819	441	33003	1666	304718
Rajasthan	694	192029	434	101100	797	132415	889	114223	2814	539767
Sikkim	69	6260	24	5220	4824	5228	52	15219	4969	31927
Tamil Nadu	711	240020	434	160590	781	58627	446	101103	2372	560340
Telangana	231	75920	99	25349	115	27101	59	21538	504	149908
Tripura	154	16514	90	9236	18	3892	20	4834	282	34476
Uttar Pradesh	2498	523265	3381	601309	2753	503715	2418	378956	11050	2007245
Uttarakhand	234	40615	214	18338	42	7100	147	11681	637	77734
West Bengal	110	122171	180	59111	478	48321	377	53137	1145	282740
Total	12651	5193986	11117	4030520	15662	2628815	8897	2960280	48327	14813601
