

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 821**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023

**NATURAL FARMING IN RAINFED AREAS**

821. SHRI SANJAY BHATIA:

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

- (a) whether the Government is focusing on the promotion of natural farming in rainfed areas beyond Ganga as well as Yamuna river and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Union Government has any proposal to bring any new plans/economic plans and development projects in coordination with the State Government in those districts of Haryana (Karnal, Panipat, Kurukshetra etc.) which produce for agriculture market and export at international level; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): Government is promoting natural farming through a sub scheme namely Bhartiya Prakritik Krishi Padhati (BPKP) under Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) since 2020-21. So far, 4.09 lakh ha area has been brought under BPKP in 8 States including rain-fed areas.

(b) & (c): Under PKVY, assistance is provided @ Rs. 15.0 lakh / 1000 ha cluster for 3 years to facilitate farmers for direct marketing of their organic products to the buyers in the country including all districts of Haryana. In addition, assistance is provided @ Rs. 53.0 lakh /1000 ha clusters for 3 years for branding, publicity, exhibition, trade fairs and other marketing initiatives to support direct buying of organic products from farmers.

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