

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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UN STARRED QUESTION NO. 1467 TO BE ANSWERED ON : 28.07.2023

Farmer Manure Seed Centres

1467 SHRI DULAL CHANDRA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of **CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to open Farmer Manure Seed centers in collaboration with NAFED and IFFCO through co-operative societies to provide certified manure and seeds easily to the Farmer of each district in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to provide manure seeds easily to the farmers for the production of foxnut and other crops selected under 'One District, One Product' scheme?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS

(SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA)

(a) & (b): Government of India is implementing Sub-Mission on Seeds & Planting Materials (SMSP) under which financial assistance is available for distribution of seed and other seed related interventions. The above schemes are demand driven and implemented by concerned State/Implementing Agencies for the welfare of small and marginal farmers in the country.

The detail of the sub-component is as under:

Seed Village Programme: Government of India is implementing Seed Village Programme to upgrade the quality of farmer's saved seeds. Under the Seed Village component of Sub-Mission on Seeds & Planting Material (SMSP) scheme, the financial assistance for distribution of foundation/certified seeds @ 50% of the seed cost for cereal crops and @ 60% of the seed cost for pulses, oilseeds, fodder and green manure crops for production of quality seeds is available for one acre per farmer. The objective of this scheme is to make available improved and high yielding varieties of seeds to the farmers in time to achieve self-sufficiency in respect of seeds availability at village level itself.

S. No.	Financial Year	Fund Released (in Lakhs)	Seed Village Achievement (in No's)	Seed Produced (in Quintals)	Total Farmers (F+M)
1	2014-15	10850.03	51345	19820090.60	3560252
2	2015-16	6938.87	30793	9340056.42	2129109
3	2016-17	7700.50	25962	7776072.00	1813465
4	2017-18	14070.00	132010	11714042.50	2685886
5	2018-19	14011.80	104629	21992295.10	3416624
6	2019-20	8893.33	77580	18756232.90	3196628
7	2020-21	12830.40	65939	24454455.27	3649041
8	2021-22	3071.56	79731	25652248.00	3165025
9	2022-23	11306.55	53022	13161240.61	2328514
Grand Total		89673.04	621011	152666733.4	25944544

Certified Seed Production through Seed Village: This component has been initiated in the year 2014-15 to encourage the farmers for taking up certified seed production of Pulses, Oilseeds, Fodder and Green Manure crops for making available required certified seeds at village itself. Under this component, financial assistance @ 75% cost of foundation/certified seed cost is provided to the farmers for production of certified seeds in these crops.

S. No.	Financial Year	Fund Released (in Lakhs)	Seed Produced (in Quintals)	Total Farmers (in No.)
1	2014-15	1166.68	680198.00	57471
2	2015-16	132.66	26722.00	6440
3	2016-17	1407.75	229982.00	82211
4	2017-18	1381.74	272287.50	53693
5	2018-19	698.71	220733.00	53612
6	2019-20	1121.64	116637.00	25450
7	2020-21	701.81	221138.00	30725
8	2021-22	776.81	126712.00	22900
9	2022-23	-	-	-
Grand Total		7387.80	1894409.5	332502
