

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3140
TO BE ANSWERED ON 8th AUGUST, 2023

IMPROVING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY

3140. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

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

(a) whether the Government has observed improvements in agricultural productivity and income levels as a result of the initiatives, namely Mission of Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Bhartiya Prakritik Krishi Pariyojana (BPKP) and Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is satisfied with the progress and impact of the MIDH, RKVY, BPKP and PMKSY schemes in Ernakulam and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has observed any challenges or shortcomings in the execution of the centrally sponsored schemes in Ernakulam;

(d) whether the Government has evaluated the impact and outcomes of the initiatives and if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is committed to providing continued support and resources to Ernakulam, to further enhance and expand the achievements made in the agricultural domain; and

(f) if so, the details thereof including the total allotment and total expenditure for the last three years and in the current year with a special focus on Ernakulam, Kerala?

ANSWER

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

(a) Agriculture is a state subject. Government of India is actively supporting and supplementing efforts of state governments by implementing a comprehensive range of central sector and centrally sponsored schemes including Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Bhartiya Prakratik Krishi Paddhati (BPKP) under Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojna (PKVY) and Per Drop More Crop (PDMC). The efforts of Government at positive implementation of these schemes have yielded remarkable results towards improving agricultural productivity and

augmenting the income of the farmers. Between 2013-14 and 2022-23, increase in productivity has been 17.95% for total food grains, 23.65% for pulses and 35.2% for coarse cereals. As part of the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav', Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has released a book, which contains compilation of success stories of 75,000 farmers out of innumerable successful farmers who have increased their income more than two times.

(b) to (e) Government of India is deeply committed to the well-being of farmers across the nation, which is evident through its remarkable and unprecedented increase in budget allocation for the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare from Rs. 30,224.38 crore in 2013-14 to Rs. 1,25,035.79 crore in 2023-24. The Government is continuously monitoring the progress of implementation of the schemes across the nation including Ernakulam district, ensuring effective and efficient delivery of benefits to farmers. Whenever necessary, appropriate remedial actions are promptly taken to rectify any issues and enhance the impact of these schemes. Some notable outcomes of the schemes in Ernakulam district are as follows;

(i) Implementation of BPKP scheme has helped in creating more awareness of organic farming and hence new farmers have come forward for practicing the same.

(ii) Preparation and supply of organic inputs locally through Ecoshops has increased.

(iii) Locally made organic inputs (growth promoters/manures) have gained more popularity among farmers.

(iv) Practicing of organic farming has helped in providing healthy and safe food to public.

(v) By providing assistance under RKVY fallow land cultivation, more farmers/farmers group have started to undertake cultivation in fallow land, which has ultimately caused a rise in crop cultivation.

(vi) MIDH assistance has helped in maintaining sustainability with regard to area and production of horticulture crops.

(vii) Popularisation and assistance provided to exotic fruit plants has created increased interest and income generation among farmers.

(f) Details of scheme- wise allocation and expenditure in Ernakulam district during previous 3 years and current year are given in the **Annexure**.

Annexure

Details of scheme- wise allocation and expenditure in Ernakulam district

(Amount in Rs)

Name of Scheme	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24	
	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
MIDH	27002167	27002167	1647681	16471681	20454780	19952484	3837000	Progressing
BPKP	----	----	19859620	19701206	8975681	8786684	4219596.8	4076240
RKVY	36600000	19597619	25316625	22772869	430000	430000	----	----
SHM	607500	607500	10015250	10015250	12636546	12636546	----	----
PMKSY	2347375	234735	----	----	----	----	----	----
