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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.839
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25/07/2023

EXHIBITIONS AND TRAINING CAMPS

839 SHRI SANJAY BHATIA

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

- (a) Whether the Government is considering to organize exhibitions at Gram Panchayat level to disseminate information about best agricultural seeds, equipments and latest methods of irrigation to the farmers and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) Whether it is proposed to organize regular training camps and loan fairs for farmers at block and district level with the objective of facilitating access to credit and financial services to farmers to meet their agricultural needs and if so the details thereof;
- (c) Whether the Government is actively working on the planning and implementation of these training camps and loan fairs ensuring that they reach the farmers in different areas of the State; and
- (d) Whether the Government has received a number of requests from various States and Union Territories including Karnal Parliamentary Constituency?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a): As per Guidelines of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Support to State Extension Programs for Extension Reforms' popularly known as ATMA Scheme,

Exhibition / Kisan Melas / Fruits / Vegetables shows are organized at the District level to disseminate information about best agricultural practices, seeds, equipments and latest method of irrigation to the farmers. During last three years i.e. from 2020-21 to 2022-23, 27,34,447 farmers (including 40,500 farmers of Haryana State) have been benefited through District-level Exhibitions/Kisan Mela under the ATMA Scheme across the country.

(b)&(c): Farmers' Training is also an eligible activity under ATMA Scheme. During last three years, 13,91,977 farmers [including 36,041 farmers of Haryana State] have been benefited through Farmers' Training Activity under the ATMA Scheme across the country. NABARD supports banks to conduct Financial and Digital Literacy Programs at Block and District level aimed at educating the rural population including farmers about various financial products and services, such as savings, credit, insurance, pension, social security schemes, digital payments, Government Security Schemes etc.

(d) Government has not received requests for training camps and loan fairs from States/UTs.
