

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 857
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25TH JULY, 2023

CROP INSURANCE SCHEME

857. SHRI SURESH KUMAR KASHYAP:

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

- (a) the total amount allocated under crop insurance scheme in the country during the last year particularly to Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to bring apple under crop insurance scheme; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) : A Budget allocation of Rs. 15500 crore was made for the year 2022-23 for Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY). PMFBY being a Central Sector Scheme, State-wise allocation is not made under the scheme. However, Central Government share of premium subsidy amounting to Rs. 37.93 crore was paid in Himachal Pradesh during the year 2022-23.

(b) & (c) : The Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) envisages coverage of all food crops (cereals, millets and pulses), oilseeds and commercial/horticultural crops subject to availability of past yield data of requisite number of years based on Crop Cutting Experiments (CCEs) as well as capacity of the State Government to conduct requisite number of CCEs to assess the yield of the crop to calculate claims. However, specific crop is notified by the concerned State Government keeping in view the aforesaid provision. For the crops not meeting the aforesaid conditions, the concerned State Government is free to notify them for coverage under Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS) under which claims payment are being structured on the basis of weather index parameters. State Government of Himachal Pradesh is notifying the apple crop under RWBCIS.