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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 461

TO BE ANSWERED ON 06th FEBRUARY, 2024

EMPOWERING WOMEN FARMERS UNDER PM-KISAN

461. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:

SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:

SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount given by the Government to the women farmers in the country under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) presently;
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating to double the amount given at present to strengthen and empower the women farmers in the country;
- (c) if so, the details of guidelines issued thereof and the time by which it is likely to be started;
- (d) whether the Government has identified the total number of women farmers eligible for the said support in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has sought data of women farmers from the State Governments; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the response of various States in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

(a): The PM-KISAN scheme is a central sector scheme launched in February 2019 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister to supplement the financial needs of land-holding farmers. Under this scheme, the financial benefit of Rs 6,000/- per year in three equal instalments every four months is transferred into the bank accounts of farmers' families across the country through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode. The PM-KISAN scheme is one of the largest DBT Schemes of the World.

A farmer-centric digital infrastructure has ensured the benefits of the scheme reach all the farmers across the country without any involvement of the intermediaries. Maintaining absolute transparency in registering and verifying beneficiaries, the Government of India has so far disbursed over Rs. 2.81 lakh Cr to more than 11 Cr farmers in 15 instalments out of which benefits worth Rs. 66,760.34 Crore have been disbursed to women beneficiaries.

(b) to (f): There is no such proposal under consideration.
