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2517. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

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

- (a) the number of Soil Health Cards that have been issued and the outcomes that have been achieved in terms of crop pattern change, State-wise; and
- (b) whether the involvement of private agencies and college students in Soil Health Card scheme has led to a poor quality of soil analysis and if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): State-wise number of Soil Health Cards issued during cycle I (2015-17), cycle II (2017-19) and current year (2019-20) are given at **Annexure**. SHC provides two sets of fertilizer recommendations for 6 crops that can be grown in that area. Recommendations for additional crops are also given based on the requirement of farmers. Hence, SHC is intended to encourage farmers to adopt Integrated Nutrient Management for judicious use of fertilizers & crop planning for increase in productivity of the land. As per the study report submitted by National Productivity Council in 2017, the quantum of fertilizer application reduced from 8-10% and yield increase of 8-6% was observed when the SHC recommendations were followed by the farmers.

(b): There is no such report received from any State.

Annexure

Statement indicate State-wise number of Soil Health Cards issued to farmers

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Cycle-I (2015-17)	Cycle-II (2017-19)	(2019-20)
1	Uttar Pradesh	16991346	35976000	173000
2	Maharashtra	12977232	13067735	183772
3	Madhya Pradesh	8872377	8907385	80005
4	Rajasthan	6886000	11534294	16891
5	Karnataka	7832189	7832189	59123
6	Gujarat	5108923	8694936	63591
7	Andhra Pradesh	7455204	6967162	225970
8	Bihar	6469650	6010417	0
9	West Bengal	5040510	3947850	0
10	Tamil Nadu	7000000	6974843	58317
11	Telangana	5720737	3471172	110664
12	Punjab	1251726	1160568	17793
13	Haryana	4227238	3371143	0
14	Chhattisgarh	3890709	4746670	59726
15	Odisha	2374233	1363921	0
16	Kerala	763435	2251280	0
17	Goa	25000	12000	0
18	Uttarakhand	750494	882028	11629
19	Himachal Pradesh	385011	960765	12558
20	J & K	692062	1018051	15247
21	Jharkhand	637507	255391	3965
22	Arunachal Pradesh	20532	55	0
23	Assam	1300901	1300901	0
24	Manipur	114522	55550	0
25	Meghalaya	209561	236400	2193
26	Mizoram	11986	14974	307
27	Nagaland	184797	12000	0
28	Sikkim	46000	21470	0
29	Tripura	117723	117723	3192
30	Andaman & Nicobar	10000	8970	0
31	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	2222	0	0
32	Puducherry	19594	7074	589
Total		107389421	131180917	1098532
