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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.452
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 19TH NOVEMBER, 2019

EASE OF DOING AGRI BUSINESS

452. SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

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

- (a) the objective of developing an ease of doing agri-business index;
- (b) the expected date of adoption of such an index;
- (c) the parameters which would be included in the index while determining relative rank of States; and
- (d) whether such an index has been ratified by all the States?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d): To ensure that the reform agenda of the Government is implemented at a desired pace by all the State Governments, a need was felt to develop a competitive spirit between the States. The Committee for doubling of farmers' income, set up by the Government to recommend strategies to double farmers income by 2022, also recommended to carry out ranking of the States based on reforms and governance.

In consultation with the State Governments, an Index for Ease of doing Agriculture has been prepared based on the parameters such as Marketing Reforms, Establishment of National Agriculture Market (e-NAM), Development of Rural Haats, Post Harvesting Infrastructure, Purchase of Minimum Support Price, Optimal use of fertilizers, Irrigation, Governance and Land Reforms, Investments in Agriculture, Availability of quality seeds etc. for ranking of States to raise their performance to the highest level by initiating reforms and undertaking various farmer friendly policies and investments.
