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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1474
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2020

MKSP IN ODISHA

1474. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) the programmes undertaken to support women farmers under the Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP) in Odisha;
- (b) the budgetary allocation for the scheme and quantum of funds allocated thereunder;
- (c) whether there is any monitoring mechanism for the scheme and any study or randomised control trials have been conducted to study the efficacy of the scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): This Ministry has approved 10 Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP) projects to support the women farmers under MKSP for the state of Odisha.

(b): Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY- NRLM) is a demand driven programme. Therefore, as a sub scheme of DAY- NRLM, MKSP is also, demand driven. Under MKSP, there is no state wise allocation. The details of the sanctioned projects for the state of Odisha are given below:

Total No. of MKPS projects sanctioned to Odisha State Rural Livelihood Mission(SRLM)	Theme of the Project	Number of Projects	Total Budget (Rs. in crore)	Central Share (Rs. in crore)
10	Sustainable Agriculture	07	67.6975	50.3159
	NonTimber Forest Produce(NTFP) (medicinal plants)	01		
	Non Timber Forest Produce (Tasar) - (one is part of multi-state project)	02		

(c): Yes, this Ministry has continuous monitoring mechanism for MKSP. An independent evaluation of MKSP was commissioned in 2019 and was conducted by Nielsen India Pvt. Ltd. with 6595 number of households across 8 states. This independent evaluation used a quasi- experimental design that is propensity score matching to identify similar control area as that of the treatment areas (using Census 2011 and Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC) data).

(d): The details of the monitoring mechanism and study are given below:

- (i) **Progress Review:** Regular progress review meetings are organized in which the MKSP projects are reviewed.
- (ii) **Video Conference (VC):** the progress of the MKSP projects are being reviewed by Joint Secretary, Rural Livelihood through Video Conference on a quarterly basis.
- (iii) **Independent Evaluation of the MKSP projects:** Independent evaluation of MKSP projects is conducted through National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR), Hyderabad, before release of the 3rd installment.
- (iv) This Ministry has also conducted a 3rd party evaluation by Nielsen India Pvt. Ltd.