

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1898
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3RD MARCH, 2020

IMPROVING ORGANIC FARMING

1898. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any programmes or plans in place to improve organic farming in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government maintains data concerning the total number of farmers adopting organic farming practices in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d): Government of India has been promoting organic farming under two dedicated schemes namely Mission Organic Value Chain Development North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER) and Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) since 2015 through State Governments. Under these schemes, support is provided for formation of farmers' clusters/ Farmer Producer Organization; input procurement, value addition including post harvest infrastructure creation, packaging, branding, publicity, transportation, organic fairs etc. Organic Farming is also supported under other schemes viz Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) and Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), Network Project on Organic Farming under ICAR. Third party certification of organic farming is promoted by Agriculture Processed Food and Export Development Authority (APEDA), Ministry of Commerce.

The data of farmers practicing organic farming under Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) and 3rd party certification are registered on PGS- India Portal and TRACENET portal respectively. The state-wise detail of farmers registered on both portals is provided at **Annexure-I**.

Annexure 1

NUMBER OF FARMERS PRACTICING ORGANIC FARMING – REGISTERED ON PGS – INDIA AND TRACENET PORTALS

State	Farmers registered on PGS portal	Farmers registered on TRACENET portal
A AND N ISLANDS	34	0
ANDHRA PRADESH	4889	29303
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	551	5645
ASSAM	8807	18686
BIHAR	17457	2545
CHANDIGARH	0	824
CHHATTISGARH	46145	15967
DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI	0	0
DAMAN AND DIU	1323	237
DELHI	12591	237
GOA	10	5977
GUJARAT	13719	46188
HARYANA	792	4116
HIMACHAL PRADESH	12184	19163
JAMMU AND KASHMIR	1831	18920
JHARKHAND	14637	17542
KARNATAKA	36425	59038
KERALA	22098	35014
LAKSHADWEEP	0	3843
MADHYA PRADESH	104781	335133
MAHARASHTRA	59098	109383
MANIPUR	1482	5238
MEGHALAYA	1743	35902
MIZORAM	1152	8104
NAGALAND	1084	7523
ODISHA	24560	65449
PUDUCHERRY	468	0
PUNJAB	247	2288
RAJASTHAN	126151	95031
SIKKIM	0	66031
TAMIL NADU	11912	13779
TELANGANA	16589	5099
TRIPURA	2266	2504
UTTAR PRADESH	50381	54418
UTTARAKHAND	150628	55151
WEST BENGAL	7284	3360
Total :	753319	1147401
