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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 328

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4TH FEBRUARY, 2020

GRAMIN HAATS

328. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

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

- (a) the number of Gramin Haats modernised under the Gramin Agriculture Market Scheme till date along with the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) the current status of the Scheme along with the details of the outcome of the modernisation process achieved till date;
- (c) whether there is any plan/proposal to modernise the remaining Gramin Haats and if so, the proposed timeline thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that there are no Gramin Haats in Rajasthan;
- (e) the reasons for the lack of Gramin Haats in Rajasthan; and
- (f) whether the Government has taken any measure to ensure establishment of Gramin Haats in the regions which lack the same and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): As per Union Budget Announcement, 2018-19, the Government has decided to develop and upgrade existing 22,000 rural haats into Gramin Agricultural Markets (GrAMs). As a part of modernization, strengthening of physical infrastructure and facilities in Gramin Agriculture Markets (GrAMs) such as platform, drinking water, drainage etc. is carried out under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) programme. So far, development of physical infrastructure has been undertaken in 1154 Gramin haats in the country under MGNREGA programme. State-wise details of Gramin haats undertaken under MGNREGA is at **Annexure-I**.

The Government has approved an Agri-Market Infrastructure Fund (AMIF) with a corpus of Rs. 2000 crore for developing and upgrading agricultural marketing infrastructure in the GrAMs and Agriculture Produce Market Committee (APMC) Markets and circulated the Scheme Guidelines to the States/Union Territories (UTs) for submission of proposal under the Scheme.

Further, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW) has circulated Guidelines on 'Operation and Management of GrAMs' to all States/UTs to facilitate and promote better management in GrAMs.

(d) to (f): Directorate of Marketing and Inspection (DMI), an attached of DAC&FW has been undertaking a survey of rural haats to find out their location, throughout, periodicity and infrastructural status etc. As per information received from DMI, total number of 152 rural haats have so far been surveyed in State of Rajasthan.

State-wise details of Gramin haats undertaken under MGNREGA

(As on 03.01.2020)

S. No.	State	Ongoing work	Completed work
		since inception	since inception
1.	Andhra Pradesh	111	14
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1	3
3.	Assam	9	1
4.	Bihar	29	3
5.	Chattisgarh	59	28
6.	Gujarat	2	1
7.	Haryana	0	1
8.	Himachal Pradesh	32	6
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	20	4
10.	Jharkhand	1	0
11.	Karnataka	13	7
12.	Kerala	17	1
13.	Madhya Pradesh	50	64
14.	Maharashtra	0	0
15.	Manipur	1	23
16.	Meghalaya	9	2
17.	Mizoram	52	70
18.	Nagaland	0	2
19.	Odisha	16	21
20.	Punjab	7	2
21.	Rajasthan	49	30
22.	Sikkim	0	3
23.	Tamil Nadu	48	18
24.	Telangana	7	1
25.	Tripura	2	7
26.	Uttar Pradesh	35	61
27.	Uttrakhand	26	11
28.	West Bengal	147	26
29.	Puducherry	1	0
Total		744	410
