

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.451**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020

**SAHAKAR MITRA SCHEME**

451. SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government have launched Sahakar Mitra Scheme recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the aims and objectives behind the move;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any criteria to shortlist candidates for the internship;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of applications received for internship and the amount of financial support provided to each interns;
- (e) whether the Government has step up any online application portal for this purpose and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to popularize the portal; and
- (f) the other steps taken by the Government to make the scheme a success by involving young professionals to provide latest technologies to help boost agriculture and its allied sector?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री ( SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

**(a) & (f):** No Sir. Sahakar Mitra Scheme for Internship Programme (SIP) is neither a Government of India Scheme nor funded by the Government. It is a scheme run by National Cooperative Development Corporation, a statutory corporation under the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.

**(b) to (e):** In view of above, do not arise.

