IMPROVING PRODUCTION OF PULSES, FOOD GRAINS AND ESSENTIAL EDIBLE OILS

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects carried out to support and improve production of pulses, foodgrains and essential edible oils in Maharashtra;

(b) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised for the above purpose during the last five years;

(c) the steps taken by Government to provide adequate financial, logistic and technical support to Maharashtra to improve production of pulses, foodgrains and essential edible oils;

(d) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised for the above purpose during the last five years; and

(e) the steps taken by Government to support the revenue loss to farmers due to natural calamities like heavy winds/ rainfall and subsequent floods?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

In order to improve production and productivity of foodgrains, Oilseeds and Oilpalm, Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW) is implementing Crop Development Programmes i.e. National Food Security Mission (NFSM) in the States including Maharashtra. Further, State can undertake crop development programmes under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) with the approval of State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) constituted under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary of the State.
Allocation, release and expenditure under NFSM—Foodgrain components, NFSM—Oilseeds & Oilpalm and RKVY for the state of Maharashtra during the last five years are **Annexed.**

DAC&FW has allocated an amount of Rs. 153.36 crore for NFSM—Foodgrain components and Rs. 39.38 crore for NFSM—Oilseeds & Oilpalm as Central share for the State of Maharashtra during 2020-21. The Government of India allocates funds to the State considering crops, area coverage and resource available. Under NFSM, 33 Project Management Teams (PMTs) have been approved for Maharashtra as a logistic support to the State. The expenditure in the mission is shared between centre and state on 60:40 basis.

Besides, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), State Agricultural Universities (SAUs), Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) have been involved in crop development programmes for providing technical backstopping, demonstrating crop technologies and training to the farmers.

In case of damage of crops due to natural calamities namely cyclone, drought, earthquake, fire, flood, tsunami, hailstorm, landslide, avalanche, cloudburst, pest attack, fresh and cold waves, the State Governments concerned provide relief to the affected farmers in the form of input subsidy from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) placed at their disposal as per the Government of India’s items and norms.

Further, in case of calamity of severe in nature and beyond the coping capacity of SDRF, additional financial assistance is granted to the State Government concerned from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) to provide relief to the affected people including farmers.

Besides DAC&FW ensures comprehensive risk cover from crops of farmers against all non-preventable natural risks from pre-sowing to post-harvest stage under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY).
Annexure as referred in Lok Sabha Unstarrred Question No. 2334 part (b)& (d) due for 09.03.2021

Annexure

Allocation, Release and Expenditure under NFSM-Foodgrain components, NFSM-Oilseeds & Oilpalm and RKVY for the state of Maharashtra during the last five years:

(Central share Rs in crore)

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