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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2457

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2021

## **IMPROVING FARMERS' INCOME**

2457: SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO

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

- (a) the details of the modes/schemes through which the Central Government is working to improve farmers' income in the country;
- (b) the time period during which these schemes have been in operation and the outcome thereof; and
- (c) the areas in which results have been encouraging and the areas needing further review?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): The Government has adopted several developmental programmes, schemes, reforms and policies that focus on higher incomes for the farmers. All these policies & programmes are being supported by higher budgetary allocations, non-budgetary financial resources by way of creating Corpus Funds and supplementary income transfers under PM-KISAN. The latest major intervention includes the 'Atma Nirbhar Bharat — Agriculture' which includes comprehensive market reforms and creating of 'Agricultural Infrastructure Fund (AIF)' worth Rs. 1 lakh crore. In 2021-22 Budget Announcements, Micro Irrigation Fund has been doubled to Rs 10000 crores and Institutional Credit has been increased to Rs 16.50 lakh crores.

Record food grain and horticulture production, Increase in procurement, Fixing of MSP at one and a half times the cost of production, Increased support to farmers through PM-KISAN, Insuring crop under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Increased institutional credit, Soil Heath Card, Organic farming, Neem coating of Urea, Creation of Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs), Bee-keeping, Agricultural Mechanization, Increase in water use efficiency at farm level under PMKSY, changes in disaster Relief Standards etc are the major areas where results have been encouraging.

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