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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2480
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9TH MARCH, 2021

INCREASING IRRIGATION IN AGRICULTURE

2480. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to increase agricultural land under irrigation, so that the objective of national food security mission is achieved;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): Government of India launched the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) on 1st July, 2015 with the motto of “HarKhetKoPaani” for providing end-to-end solutions in irrigation supply chain viz. water sources, distribution network and farm level applications. The components of PMKSY are; Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP), PMKSY - HarKhetKoPaani, PMKSY - Per Drop More Crop (PMKSY – PDMC) and PMKSY (Watershed). The Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW) is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of PMKSY-PDMC from 2015-16 in all the States of the country which focuses on enhancing water use efficiency at farm level through Micro Irrigation viz., Drip and Sprinkler irrigation systems. Besides promoting Micro Irrigation, this component also supports micro level water storage or water conservation/management activities to supplement source creation for Micro Irrigation.

Besides, National Food Security Mission (NFSM) provides assistance to the farmers for purchase of pumps sets, water carrying pipes, sprinkler sets and mobile raingun through the State Governments/UTs. Bringing Green Revolution

to Eastern India (BGREI), a sub scheme of Rashtriya Krishi VikasYojana (RKVY) is being implemented in 7 Eastern States including Odisha under which, assistance for construction of minor irrigation tanks, check dams, water harvesting structures, shallow tube wells, dug wells, bore wells, pump sets and water carrying pipes is also provided to the farmers through State Governments.

These schemes promoting irrigation for crops, supports enhancing production and productivity of crops to achieve the objective of NFSM.

(c): Question does not arise in view of (a) & (b).
