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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3232**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2021

**SCHEME FOR WOMEN FARMERS**

3232. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

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

- (a) whether the Government has started any scheme for providing facilities to the women farmers for development of agriculture sector in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the amount of funds allocated and utilised for the said purpose during the last three years and the current year; and
- (d) the number of women trained or imparted training in agricultural sector under various central schemes during the said period?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c) : The guidelines of the various beneficiary oriented schemes of the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation and Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare provide that States and other Implementing Agencies to incur atleast 30% expenditure on women farmers. These schemes include Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms, National Food Security Mission, National Mission on Oilseed & Oil Palm, National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture, Sub-Mission for Seed and Planting Material, Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization and Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture.

The Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development launched a specific scheme namely 'Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP)', as a subcomponent of DAY-NRLM (Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana — National Rural Livelihoods Mission). This scheme is being implemented since 2011 with the objective to empower women by making systematic investments to enhance their participation and productivity, as also create sustainable livelihoods of rural women. The program is implemented in project mode through State Rural Livelihoods Mission (SRLM) as Project Implementing Agencies.

DAY-NRLM and its sub-component MKSP is a demand driven programme. Accordingly, based on the demand from State Rural Livelihoods Mission for implementation of MKSP through project mode, the funds have been released to States in last three years as per details at **Annexure I**.

(d): In order to familiarize women with the latest techniques in agriculture and allied sectors, trainings are being imparted to women farmers under schemes of Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and Ministry of Rural Development. The number of women trained or imparted training in agricultural sector under various central schemes during the last three years and current year are at **Annexure –II**.

**Annexure –I**

**Amount of funds released to States under MKSP in last three years and current  
year**

(Rs. in Crore)

Year of fund released	Amount of funds released to States against approved projects
2017-18	63.76
2018-19	65.60
2019-20	11.58
2020-21	11.10

**Annexure-II**

**Number of women trained or imparted training in agricultural sector under Central schemes during the last three years and current year**

(Nos. in Lakh)

Ministry / Department	Year			
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
<b>Ministry of Agriculture &amp; Farmers Welfare</b>				
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW)	12.56	12.4	10.83	5.6
Department of Agriculture Research & Education (Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs))	3.19	3.96	8.71	6.73

Ministry of Rural Development	Number of mahilakisan covered ( in cumulative numbers)			
	Year			
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Department of Rural Development (Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojna)	34.06	63.41	86.14	111.38

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