

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 45
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND FEBRUARY, 2021

CLOSURE OF APMCS

45. SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Government is of the view to close the Agriculture Produce Market Committees (APMCs) instead of improving and promoting them for betterment of farmers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has received any request to review the decision and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the stand of the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d): No sir. Government has been always supporting the idea of strengthening of Agricultural Produce Market Committees (APMCs) and making them more competitive through improving services and infrastructure. Government has been providing assistance to APMCs for infrastructure and value chain development through various schemes like Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojna – RAFTAAR, Agriculture Market Infrastructure (AMI), National Agriculture Market (e-NAM), Agri. Infrastructure Fund (AIF) and Agriculture Marketing Infrastructure Fund (AMIF), etc.
