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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1387 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7th DECEMBER, 2021

#### PROMOTION OF ORGANIC FARMING

1387. SHRI BALAK NATH:

SHRI DIPSINH SHANKARSINH RATHOD: SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

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

- (a) whether the Government is promoting organic/natural farming as chemical- free farming;
- (b) if so, the details of the area covered under organic / natural farming, State -wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any scheme to provide organic certification services to individual farmers and if so, the criteria for providing the assistance;
- (d) the initiatives taken by the Government to promote alternative or organic fertilizers to reduce the excessive consumption of urea in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (e): Government has been promoting organic/natural farming through dedicated schemes namely Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) and Mission Organic Value Chain Development in North East Region (MOVCDNER). Farmers are provided financial assistance of Rs 31000/ ha / 3 years under PKVY and Rs 32500/ ha/ 3 years under MOVCDNER for organic inputs such as seeds, bio-fertilisers, bio-pesticides, organic manure, compost/ vermi-compost, botanical extracts etc. In addition to above, support is also provided for group/ Farmers Producers Organization (FPO) formation, training,

certification, value addition and marketing of their organic produce. Organic cultivation on either side of River Ganga under National Mission of Clean Ganga(NMCG), natural farming, large area certification and support for individual farmers have also been introduced under PKVY to increase area under organic farming.

Bhartiya Prakritik Krishi Padhati (BPKP), a sub scheme of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) since 2020-21 is promoted for traditional indigenous practices .The scheme mainly emphasises on exclusion of all synthetic chemical inputs and promotes onfarm biomass recycling with major stress on biomass mulching, use of cow dung-urine formulations and plant based preparations.Under BPKP, financial assistance of Rs 12200/ha for 3 years is provided for cluster formation, capacity building and continuous handholding by trained personnel, certification and residue analysis.

Organic Farming has also been supported under other schemes viz. Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) and Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), Network Project on Organic Farming under Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).

Individual and small organic farmers groups (5-50 farmers) may also get registered with State Agriculture Department and nearby Regional Council (RC)of Participatory Guarantee System- India (PGS-India) to certify their farm as organic under PGS. Assistance of Rs. 2700/ha for 3 years is provided for PGS Certification (Cost of Certification is directly reimbursed to Regional Council of PGS- India)

At present organic farming is taken up in an area of 38.09 lakh hectares in the country including 6.19 lakh hectares under Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), 1.23 lakh hectare under Namami Gange Programme, 4.09 lakh hectare under BPKP (Natural Farming), and 26.57 lakh hectares under National Program for Organic Production (NPOP). The State-wise details of the area covered under PKVY, BPKP, NMCG, NPOP including area of MOVCDNER and others are given at **Annexure-I.** 

### State wise area covered under Organic Farming for the year 2020-21 till date (Area in Ha)

S.N o.	Under National Program of Organic Produce(NPOP)*		Area covered under Parampragat Krishi Vikas Yojana (In ha)		
0.	State Name	Organic area including conversion (including area of MOVCDNER)	Parampragat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)	National Mission on Clean Ganga (NMCG)	Bhartiya Prakritik Krishi Paddati (BPKP) **
1	A &N Island	0	1360		-
2	Andhra. P	36801.36	106000		100000
3	Arunachal. P	13114.12	380		
4	Assam	18470.84	4400		
5	Bihar	29902.54	8540	16060	
6	Chhattisgarh	23209.52	24000	10000	85000
7	Goa	12632.32	10080		
8	Gujarat	147866.41	2000		
9	Haryana	4903.06	400		
10	H.P	11854	5700		12000
11	J & K	30619.82	560		
12	Jharkhand	53261.70	5000	540	3400
13	Karnataka	95050.08	20900		
15	Kerala	45070.38	12380		84000
14	Ladakh	817.85	0.00		
15	Lakshadweep	895.51	2700		
16	M.P	1020017.98	76560		99000
17	Maharashtra	371722.62	25160		
18	Manipur	12724.92	600		
19	Meghalaya	38376.39	900		
20	Mizoram	13038.89	680		
21	Nagaland	14790.38	480		
22	Delhi	5.17	10000		
23	Odisha	92694.81	20800		24000
24	Pondicherry	23.65	160		
25	Punjab	2021.50	5000		
26	Rajasthan	298686.29	123000		
27	Sikkim	75729.66	3000		
28	Tamil Nadu	31629.06	6240		2000
29	Telangana	6865.56	13800		
30	Tripura	6521.31	1000		
31	Uttar Pradesh (including UPDASP)	67442.61	22400	56180	
32	Uttarakhand	74826.40	89700	50840	
33	West Bengal	6302.61	2400		
34	Daman& Diu	0	1100		
35	Dadar Nagar	0	10000		
36	Chandigarh	0	1300		
Total		2657889.32	618680	123620	409400
		(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
Grar	nd Total		(B)+(C)+(D)=1151700  ha		

Total area covered under organic farming (A+B+C+D) = **3809589.32** 

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<sup>\*\*</sup>The BPKP scheme Initiated in 2020-21

<sup>\*</sup> Source Data provided by the accredited Certification Bodies under NPOP on Tracenet.