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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 425**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 30<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2021

**PROMOTION OF AGRO-FORESTRY**

425. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

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

- (a) the details of the schemes being implemented by the Government to promote agro forestry in the country;
- (b) the details of the States selected for agro forestry;
- (c) the details of identified areas for their selection under these schemes including Rajasthan;
- (d) the time by which this scheme is likely to be initiated along with the details thereof;
- (e) the details of eligible farmers under such scheme;
- (f) the details of the subsidies, concessions and facilities provided by the Government on agro forestry; and
- (g) the details of the benefits of the agro forestry?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): Sub-Mission on Agroforestry Scheme is being implemented by this Department since 2016-17 to encourage tree plantation on farm land in a complementary and integrated manner with crops and livestock, to help the farmers to get additional income and make their farming systems more climate resilient and adaptive.

(b)&(c): Presently, the scheme is being implemented in 21 States viz. Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, **Rajasthan**, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Mizoram, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland and 2 UTs viz. Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh. The extant scheme is being implemented in those States/UTs that have liberalized felling and transit regulations for selected tree species. Other States/UTs can access the benefit of the scheme as and when such relaxation is notified by them.

(d): The extant scheme is already ongoing since 2016-17.

(e): All the farmers specially small marginal farmers are eligible for the benefit of the scheme.

(f): Assistance to farmers for various interventions under the scheme is as following:

Sl No.	Component/Activities/Sub Component	Cost Norms ( Rs in lakh)	Pattern of Assistance
1.	Nursery Development		100% for Government Agencies and 50% for farmers/private agencies.
(a)	Small Nurseries	Rs 10 lakh per nursery	
(b)	Big Nurseries	Rs 16 lakh per nursery	
(c)	Hi –Tech Nurseries	Rs 40 lakh per nursery	
2.	Peripheral/Boundary Plantation	Rs.70 /plant	100% for Government Agencies and 50% for farmers/private agencies in four years in the ratio of 40:20:20:20
3.	Low Density Plantation (100-500 Ha)	Rs 28,000/Ha	
4.	High Density Block Plantation		
(a)	500 to 1000 plants/Ha	Rs 30,000/Ha	
(b)	1000 to 1200 plants/Ha	Rs 35,000/Ha	
(c)	1200 to 1500 plants/Ha	Rs 45,000/Ha	
(d)	> 1500 plants/Ha	Rs 50,000/Ha	
5.	Capacity Building and Training	Upto 5% of total allocation to the States	

(g): The Agro-forestry scheme envisages a lot of quantifiable benefits like additional income, protection from crop damage, higher carbon sequestration along with climate change adaptation and mitigation.

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