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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No.1095 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08TH FEBRUARY, 2022

NATIONAL MISSION ON SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

1095. DR. (PROF.) KIRIT PREMJIBHAI SOLANKI:

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

(a) the details of farmers in the country who are practicing sustainable agriculture and to whom Central Financial Assistance has been provided annually for last five financial years under the National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture;

(b) the percentage of these resources compared to the overall budget for the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare which have been allocated for the respective years; and

(c) the plans and financial resources that the Union Government intends to deploy for the next three financial years to promote natural farming?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a & b) National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) is one of the Missions within the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) under Hon'ble Prime Minister's Council for Climate Change. The mission aims to evolve and implement strategies to make Indian agriculture more resilient to the changing climate. NMSA was approved for three major components i.e. Rainfed Area Development (RAD); On Farm Water Management (OFWM); and Soil Health Management (SHM).

Subsequently, four new programmes were introduced namely Soil Health Card (SHC), Paramparagat Krishi VikasYojana (PKVY), Mission Organic Value Chain Development in North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER) and Sub Mission on Agroforestry (SMAF). During 2015-16, Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) was operationalised wherein the OFWM component of NMSA was subsumed under Per Drop More Crop (PDMC) component of PMKSY. In addition to aforementioned programmes under NMSA, Restructured National Bamboo Mission (NBM) was launched in April 2018. Beneficiaries of these schemes are decided/selected by the respective State Governments and therefore details are available with them.

The central sector and centrally sponsored scheme-wise financial assistance under National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) for last five years is given below.

(Rs.	in	Crore)
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Sr.	Scheme	Fund allocated					
No.		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	
1	Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana	3400.00	4000.00	3500.00	4000.00	4000.00	
2	Nationl Project on Soil Health Soil Health Fertility	452.00	400.00	324 .00	324.43	315.00	
3	Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region	100.00	160.00	160 .00	175.00	200.00	
4	Sub-Mission on Agroforestry	100.00	75.00	50.00	36.00	34.00	
5	Rainfed Area Development	233.00	234.00	250.00	202.50	180.00	
6	Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana	350.00	360.00	325.00	500.00	450.00	
7	National Bamboo Mission	0.00	300.00	150.00	75.21	100.00	
	Total	4635	5529	4759	4988.71	5313.14	

(c) Government is promoting Natural Farming through the Bhartiya Prakritik Krishi Padhati (BPKP) as a sub scheme of the Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) since 2020-21 by supporting traditional indigenous practices. The scheme mainly emphasizes on exclusion of all synthetic chemical inputs and promotes on-farm biomass recycling with major stress on biomass mulching, use of cow dung-urine formulations and plant-based preparations. Budgetary allocation for schemes is made on an annual basis.
