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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3200
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND MARCH, 2022

SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

3200 SHRIMATI JYOTSNA CHARANDAS MAHANT

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has launched any program to provide skill development training to the rural youth and farmers in agriculture and allied sectors under the Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA) Scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether there is a provision to impart agriculture specific training to female farmers;
- (e) the number of youth and female farmers trained in Chhattisgarh since the inception of the said programme; and
- (f) the details of the results achieved in the agriculture sector after imparting the said training to them?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a)to(c) A Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Support to State Extension Programs for Extension Reforms" popularly known as ATMA Scheme is under implementation since 2005. Presently, Scheme is being implemented in 691 districts of 28 states & 5 UTs in the country (Including all the 27 districts of Chhattisgarh). The scheme promotes decentralized farmer-friendly extension system in the country.

The objectives of the Scheme is to support State Government's efforts and to make available latest agricultural technologies and good agricultural practices in different thematic areas of agriculture and allied areas to farmers including rural youth farmer through different extension activities viz; Farmers Training, Demonstrations, Exposure Visits, Kisan Mela, Mobilization of Farmers Groups and organizing Farm Schools etc. Through these activities awareness is created among farmers regarding new technologies for development of agriculture sector.

- (d) It is provisioned in ATMA Guidelines that generally 30% beneficiaries of the Scheme should be women farmers.
- (e) Since inception (2005-06 to 2021-22 till 31st December, 2021) total 16,68,947 farmers of Chhattisgarh State (Including rural youth and female farmers) have been benefited under the Scheme. Year-wise details of Male & Female farmers beneficiaries is given at **Annexure-I**. The Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) of Chhattisgarh trained 35,151 rural youth and 83,797 female farmers during last five years.
- (f) As per assessment of 3rd party evaluation and impact assessment study of ATMA Scheme carried out during 2020, Farm Demonstrations and Farm School activities of ATMA Scheme have a good learning impact on farmers and the production is also increasing.

ANNEXURE-I**DETAILS OF FARMERS BENEFITTED IN CHATTISGARH STATE
FROM 2005-06 TO 2021-22 (Up to 31.12.21)**

Sl. No.	Year	Farmers Benefited	
		Male	Female
1	2005-06	809	198
2	2006-07	45318	17883
3	2007-08	23170	4681
4	2008-09	7398	2935
5	2009-10	70452	19062
6	2010-11	5491	149
7	2011-12	51450	28247
8	2012-13	113683	53995
9	2013-14	63191	26047
10	2014-15	168395	78491
11	2015-16	92928	14130
12	2016-17	92799	18116
13	2017-18	242018	34706
14	2018-19	122708	19735
15	2019-20	98296	26498
16	2020-21	63111	28289
17	2021-22	32618	1950
TOTAL: -		1293835	375112
