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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5347
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 5th APRIL, 2022

COVERAGE OF PMFBY

5347. SHRIMATI BHAVANA PUNDALIKRAO GAWALI:
SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

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

- (a) the percentage and the number of the farmers covered under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) before and after its inception;
- (b) the details of the number of farmers covered under the PMFBY particularly with regard to Parbhani Parliamentary Constituency, State/year-wise;
- (c) whether there is any plan to cover more number of farmers under the PMFBY; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): The number of farmer applications has been increased to 765.4 lakh during 2021-22 under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) as against 485.5 lakh farmer applications during 2015-16 under erstwhile crop insurance schemes.

(b): State-wise details of number of farmer applications enrolled during 2021-22 under the scheme are **annexed**. Claims are worked out insurance unit area wise for the notified crops and not Parliamentary Constituency-wise..

(c) & (d): PMFBY is voluntary for States/UTs as well as farmers. However, Government has taken several steps to create substantial awareness about the scheme amongst beneficiaries and to make the scheme transparent so that more and more farmers can be enrolled under the scheme. The Government has made provision to ensure availability of adequate funds for awareness of PMFBY. The revised Operational Guidelines for PMFBY which came into effect from 1st October 2018 have inter-alia provided that the insurance companies should compulsorily spend atleast 0.5% of the total gross premium collected by them for Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities.

The Government has actively supported the awareness activities being carried out by the States, implementing Insurance Companies, financial institutions, and CSC network to disseminate key features of PMFBY amongst farmers and members of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs). The Government has also started structured awareness campaigns like 'Crop Insurance Week/Fasal Bima Saptah' Kharif 2021 and Rabi 2021-22 seasons, Fasal Bima Pathshalas at village/GP level for knowledge building of farmers on various aspects of scheme implementation and nationwide Doorstep Crop Insurance Policy/receipt Distribution mega drive – 'Meri Policy Mere Haath' under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

National Crop Insurance Portal (NCIP) has been developed for ensuring better administration, co-ordination, transparency, dissemination of information and delivery of services including crediting the claim amount electronically to the individual farmer's Bank Account. To bring more transparency use of technology including Remote Sensing Technology, Smartphones, Drones, crop insurance apps for reporting estimation of crop losses to ensure early settlement of claims has also been utilized in implementation of the scheme.

Annexure

State-wise details of number of farmer applications insured from 2016-17 to 2020-21 under PMFBY as on 09.03.2022

State/UT Name	Farmers Applications Insured (Lakh)					
	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
A & N Islands	0.003	0.004	0.01	0.001	0.003	0.004
Andhra Pradesh	17.8	18.3	24.4	27.9	Not Implemented	
Assam	0.6	0.6	0.7	10.0	14.0	4.9
Bihar	27.1	23.0	Not Implemented			
Chhattisgarh	15.5	14.7	15.7	40.2	51.6	58.3
Goa	0.01	0.01	0.003	0.01	0.001	0.001
Gujarat	19.8	17.6	21.7	24.8	Not Implemented	
Haryana	13.4	13.4	14.8	17.1	16.5	14.4
Himachal Pradesh	3.8	3.8	2.7	2.8	2.4	2.0
Jammu & Kashmir	-	1.6	1.5	Not Implemented		0.7
Jharkhand	8.8	12.0	12.9	10.9	Not Implemented	
Karnataka	29.5	20.9	19.8	21.3	16.1	19.1
Kerala	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.8
Madhya Pradesh	74.6	70.3	74.2	88.1	82.8	81.5
Maharashtra	118.8	102.8	148.4	145.6	124.0	97.0
Manipur	0.1	0.1	0.01	0.03	Not Implemented	0.03
Meghalaya	0.001	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.001	Not Implemented
Odisha	18.2	18.9	21.0	48.8	97.5	74.8
Puducherry	0.1	Not Implemented	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Rajasthan	93.6	91.1	71.8	85.3	107.6	322.9
Sikkim	0.01	0.01	0.002	0.0002	0.001	0.02
Tamil Nadu	14.6	15.1	24.8	38.9	56.9	49.3
Telangana	9.7	11.0	8.0	10.3	Not Implemented	
Tripura	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.4	2.0	1.8
Uttar Pradesh	72.9	54.2	61.3	46.9	41.9	35.9
Uttarakhand	2.6	2.2	1.9	2.1	1.7	1.8
West Bengal	41.3	40.4	51.3	Not Implemented		
GRAND TOTAL	583.7	532.7	577.8	622.4	615.9	765.4
