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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2555 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND AUGUST, 2022

MINING ACTIVITIES ON AGRI-LAND

2555. MS CHANDRANI MURMU

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

- (a) whether the Government has any data regarding agricultural land area consumed by mining activities over the last ten years across the country particularly in Odisha and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the authorities have any data of agricultural land converted for urban, industrial and housing development over the last ten years particularly in Odisha; and
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to increase food production in view of the shrinking of agricultural land and rising population?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b) As per the Land Use Statistics, the state wise details of agricultural land/ cultivable land at all India level as well as in Odisha during the last 10 years (from 2009-10 to 2018-19) are given in the **Annexure.** The information on agricultural land area consumed by mining activities and agricultural land converted for urban, industrial and housing development is not centrally maintained.

(c) Agriculture is a State Subject. However, Government of India supports and facilitates the State Government through Centrally Sponsored and Central Sector Schemes. To increase production, acreage of agricultural crops in the country, and to encourage farmers, Government of India is implementing several Schemes/Programmes such as National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI), National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana, Soil Health Card, Scheme for formation of 10,000 Farmers Producers Organisations (FPOs), better insurance coverage to crops for risk mitigation through Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Increase in Minimum Support Price (MSPs) for all Kharif & Rabi crops ensuring a minimum of 50 percent of profit margin on the cost of production, e-NAM initiative to provide farmers an electronic transparent and competitive online trading platform, etc. Due to technological advances and various initiatives / schemes of the Government, the food grain production has shown an increasing trend and is estimated at 314.51 Million Tonnes as per the Third Advance Estimates for the year 2021-22.

Annexure

Annexure referred in reply to part (a) and (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q. No. 2555 due for answer on 02/08/2022

		(in thousand hectare)
Year	Agricultural land in Odisha	Agricultural land in India
2009-10	6898	182179
2010-11	6866	182010
2011-12	6749	181955
2012-13	6743	182086
2013-14	6797	181849
2014-15	6784	181829
2015-16	6648	181603
2016-17	6690	181133
2017-18	6745	181064
2018-19	6675	180888

Details of Agricultural Land in the Country for the last ten years (latest available)

Source: Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers welfare.
