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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2728
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND AUGUST 2022

FARM MECHANIZATION

2728. SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV

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

- (a) whether the Government is cognizant of the role of farm mechanization in tackling the issue of air pollution arising from stubble burning;
- (b) if so, the details of central schemes or programmes on the same and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the subsidies on farm machinery along with State/UT-wise break-up; and
- (d) the details of the funds disbursed by the Government during each of the last three years, towards these subsidies?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d): Paddy Stubble burning is mainly practiced in Indo-gangetic plains of the States of Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh to clear the fields for Rabi Crop sowing. To support the efforts of the Governments of Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and NCT of Delhi to address air pollution and to subsidize machinery required for management of crop residue, a Central Sector Scheme on 'Promotion of Agricultural Mechanization for In-Situ Management of Crop Residue in the States of Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and NCT of Delhi' is being implemented by the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare from 2018-19. Under this scheme, financial assistance @ 50% of the cost of machinery is provided to the farmers for purchase of identified crop residue management machinery and financial assistance @ 80% of the project cost is provided to the Cooperative Societies of Farmers, Farmers Producers Organization (FPOs), Registered Farmers Societies and Panchayats for establishment of Custom Hiring Centres (CHCs) of identified crop residue management machinery. During the period from 2018-19 to 2021-22, funds amounting to Rs. 2440.07 crores have been

released for these States. More than 2.07 lakh crop residue management machines have been supplied to the CHCs and individual farmers of these four States. The details of year-wise and State/agency-wise funds released under the scheme are as under:

Year	Funds Released (Rs. in Crores)					
	Punjab	Haryana	Uttar Pradesh	NCT of Delhi	ICAR & Other Central Agencies	Total
2018-19	269.38	137.84	148.60	0.00	28.51	584.33
2019-20	273.80	192.06	105.28	4.52	18.48	594.14
2020-21	272.50	170.00	120.20	0.00	8.00	570.70
2021-22	331.94	193.35	159.59	0.00	6.02	690.90
Total	1147.62	693.25	533.67	4.52	61.01	2440.07
