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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2424 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 06TH AUGUST, 2024

EXPANSION OF AGRICULTURE RELATED ACTIVITIES

2424. SMT. DELKAR KALABEN MOHANBHAI:

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

the details of work undertaken by the Government to expand both agricultural land and agriculture related activities to meet requirements of growing population, State/UT-wise, particularly in the Union Territories of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

Land and agriculture are the state subjects, as per the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India, land comes under the purview of State Governments therefore, it is for the State Governments to take suitable steps. However, Government of India supplements the efforts of States, through appropriate policy measures and budgetary support. Under the National Policy for Farmers-2007 (NPF-2007) State Governments have been advised to earmark lands with low biological potential such as uncultivable land, land affected by salinity, acidity, etc., for non-agricultural developmental activities, including industrial and construction activities.

Moreover, Government has adopted and implemented the following policies, reforms, developmental programmes for agriculture sector in the country including the Union Territories of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu:

- 1. Income support to farmers through PM KISAN
- 2. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)
- 3. Institutional credit for agriculture sector
- 4. Fixing of Minimum Support Price (MSP) at one-and-a half times the cost of production
- 5. Promotion of organic farming in the country
- 6. Per Drop More Crop
- 7. Micro Irrigation Fund
- 8. Promotion of Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs)
- 9. National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)
- 10. Agricultural Mechanization
- 11. Providing Soil Health Cards to farmers
- 12. Setting up of National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) extension Platform
- 13. Launch of the National Mission for Edible Oils Oil Palm
- 14. Agri Infrastructure Fund (AIF)
- 15. Improvement in farm produce logistics, Introduction of Kisan Rail.
- 16. Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) Cluster Development Programme.
- 17. Creation of a Start-up Eco system in agriculture and allied sector
- 18. Achievement in Export of Agri. and Allied Agri- Commodities
- 19. Central sector Scheme Namo Drone Didi
