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

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 431 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1ST APRIL. 2025

PROMOTION OF ORGANIC FARMING

*431. SHRI ANUP SANJAY DHOTRE: SHRI BHUMARE SANDIPANRAO ASARAM:

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

- (a) the present status and details of initiatives taken by the Government to promote organic farming in the country, State-wise particularly in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli;
- (b) whether any steps have been taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to make the pattern of this traditional farming economical and profitable, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) the details of the funds earmarked/allocated, released and utilised for such initiatives particularly for the said States/UTs;
- (d) whether any training workshops and awareness programmes are being organized by the Government to create awareness about techniques and benefits of organic farming in the country particularly in the said States/UTs and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of such workshops organised by the Government in the country during the last three years and the current year along with the number of farmers participated in these workshops including Maharashtra?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 431 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 01ST APRIL, 2025 REGARDING "PROMOTION OF ORGANIC FARMING"

(a) & (b): Government is promoting organic farming through the schemes of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) in all the States/UTs and Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER) scheme is being implemented. Both the schemes stress on end-to-end support to farmers engaged in organic farming i.e. from production to post-harvest management training and capacity building. The main focus of the PKVY and MOVCDNER schemes is to promote natural resource based integrated and climate resilient sustainable farming systems that ensure maintenance and increase of soil fertility, natural resource conservation, on-farm nutrient recycling and minimize dependence of farmers on external inputs.

So far, 59.74 lakh ha area has been covered under organic farming since 2015-16 including Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli. The State wise details of area covered under organic farming National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) (including MOVCDNER) + Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) under PKVY till 2023-2024 is given at **Annexure-I**.

PKVY is being implemented in a cluster mode, each cluster with farmer groups having area of 20 ha. Under PKVY, assistance of Rs.31,500/ha over 3 years is provided for promotion of organic farming to cover different components like training, PGS Certification, value addition, marketing and publicity. Out of this, assistance of Rs.15,000 per ha over three years is provided to farmers through DBT for on- farm /off –farm organic inputs.

Under MOVCDNER scheme, assistance of Rs.46,500/ha over 3 years is provided for creation of FPOs, support to farmers for organic inputs, quality seeds/ planting material and training, hand holding and certification. Out of this, the assistance of Rs.15,000 per ha over 3 years is given as DBT is provided to farmers for on- farm /off –farm organic inputs and Rs.17,500 for the planting material.

Through financial assistance, hand holding support and training for production of ecofriendly fertilizers from locally available items, the cost of input reduces and farming become economical and profitable. (c): The details of funds allocated released & utilized for promoting organic farming under PKVY scheme in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh & Union Territory of Dadar & Nagar Haveli since 2015-16 to 2024-25 (as on 26.03.2025) is as below:

(Rs. in Crore)

State	Allocation	Released	Utilized
Maharashtra	226.52	133.13	116.43
Madhya Pradesh	456.15	146.64	125.11
Dadar & Nagar Haveli	75.50	10.00	0.00

(d) & (e): PKVY & MOVCDNER schemes is implemented through the States/UTs. The details of training, workshops and awareness programme are maintained at the State/UTs level and not centrally.

Government of Maharashtra has informed that 2786 trainings have been conducted in the same duration covering 1,54,162 farmers.

Government of Union Territory of Dadar & Nagar Haveli has informed that 7 workshops have been conducted in the same duration covering 232 farmers.

Government of Madhya Pradesh has informed that 7 workshops have been conducted in the same duration covering 100 farmers.

Annexure-I

State wise details of total cumulative area covered under organic farming NPOP (including MOVCDNER) + PGS under PKVY till 2023-2024

Area in ha

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S. NO.	State Name	NPOP	PGS under PKVY
1	Andhra Pradesh	63,678.69	3,60,805
2	Bihar	29,062.13	31,561
3	Chhattisgarh	15,144.13	1,01,279
4	Goa	12,287.40	15334
5	Gujarat	6,80,819.99	10000
6	Haryana	2,925.33	-
7	Himachal Pradesh	9,334.28	18748
8	Jharkhand	54,408.20	25300
9	Kerala	44,263.91	94480
10	Karnataka	71,085.99	20900
11	Madhya Pradesh	11,48,236.07	74960
12	Maharashtra	10,01,080.32	66756
13	Odisha	1,81,022.28	45800
14	Punjab	11,089.41	6981
15	Tamil Nadu	42,758.27	32940
16	Telangana	84,865.16	8100
17	Rajasthan	5,80,092.22	148500
18	Uttar Pradesh	66,391.34	171185
19	Uttarakhand	1,01,820.39	140740
20	West Bengal	8,117.80	21400
21	Assam	27,079.40	4400
22	Arunachal Pradesh	16,537.53	380
23	Meghalaya	29,703.30	900
24	Manipur	32,584.50	600
25	Mizoram	14,238.30	780
26	Nagaland	16,221.56	480
27	Sikkim	75,729.78	63000
28	Tripura	20,481.36	1000
29	Jammu & Kashmir	34,746.75	5160
30	Pondicherry	21.51	
31	Delhi	9.60	-
32	Ladakh		10480
33	Daman & Diew		642
34	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	-	500
Γotal		44,75,836.90	14,98,583
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Source: APEDA + PGS
