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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1197 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2025

### **OBJECTIVES OF RKVY**

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

- (a) the objectives and key components of the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY);
- (b) the total funds allocated and utilized under RKVY during the last three financial years in Tamil Nadu;
- (c) the details of the major projects funded under the scheme;
- (d) whether any independent evaluation or impact assessment has been conducted to assess the outcomes of RKVY and if so, the key findings thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government is planning to make any changes or improvements to the RKVY in the coming years to enhance its impact on agricultural growth and farmers' welfare and if so,the details thereof?

### **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

- (a): Objectives of the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) ( renamed as PM-RKVY) scheme are as under:
- To provide flexibility and autonomy to State Governments for planning and implementing projects tailored to their local needs and priorities, chosen from a range of activities in agriculture and allied sectors.
- To strengthen farmers' efforts by creating necessary pre- and post-harvest infrastructure, thereby facilitating the supply of quality inputs, storage facilities, market access, and more.
- To bridge resource gaps by providing financial support to States for various activities aimed at boosting the overall growth of the agriculture sector and enhancing farmers' incomes.
- To promote agricultural activities of national importance through specific initiatives designed to address emerging challenges and enhance production and productivity.

Key components of PM- RKVY include Detailed Project Report (DPR) component, Per Drop More Crop (PDMC), Sub- Mission on Agriculture Mechanization (SMAM) including Management of Crop Residue (CRM), Soil Health and Fertility (SH&F), Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojna (PKVY), Rain Fed Area Development (RAD), Agro- Forestry etc.

(b) & (c): Till the year 2021-22, RKVY was implemented as a standalone scheme in the DPR mode. Funds allocated and utilized for the Tamil Nadu is as under:

(Rs in crore)

Year	Allocation (Central Share)	Released/ utilized (central share)
2021-22	197.96	171.30

From the 2022-23 onward, umbrella scheme of the RKVY merged with RKVY (DPR component) with other components. The consolidated PM RKVY allocation and utilization for the State for 2022-23 and 2023-24 is as under:

(Rs in crore)

Year	Allocation (Central Share)	Released/ utilized (central share)	
2022-23	799.94	398.92	
2023-24	694.89	694.65	
Total	1494.83	1093.57	

The major projects funded under the scheme in Tamil Nadu along with its current status as received from State Government is given in **Annexure-I**.

- (d): Impact evaluations of the schemes are done from time to time. Last evaluation of the schemes was undertaken by Development Monitoring & Evaluation Office (DMEO), NITI Aayog for the period 2017-18 to 2019-20 in August 2020. The evaluation covered all Schemes individually, where performance was largely satisfactory.
- (e): As per the recommendations of the Expenditure Finance Committee and NITI Aayog, the RKVY was restructured and renamed as PM-RKVY. It has been redesigned as a cafeteria scheme by merging several Centrally Sponsored Schemes, to provide flexibility to States for optimal utilization of available resources. To expedite approvals, disbursement, timely utilization of funds and completion of approved projects, the new operational guidelines for PM-RKVY were circulated on 20th November 2024. A consolidated Annual Action Plan for the scheme, submitted by the State Governments, is approved by the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.

# Major projects funded under RKVY (DPR) component in Tamil Nadu along with status Financial Year 2024-25

S. No.	Project	Allocation (Rs in Lakh)	Physical Target
1	Construction of New Buildings for 10 Soil Testing Laboratories (STL), 6 Mobile Soil Testing Lab (MSTL), 2 Pesticide Testing Lab (PTL), Additional Godown for 2 Bio-Fertilizer Production Unit (BFPU), van shed for MSTL etc.	1368	23
2	Promotion of Maize cultivation to increase the Maize area and production in Tamil Nadu	3000	46666.67 hectare
3	Area Expansion of Horticulture Crops	1026.51	6284 hectare
4	Supporting Structures for Horticulture crops	1725	500 hectare
5	Procurement of Multi Axle Carrier (MAC) vehicles for transporting Agricultural Engineering Department owned Bull Dozers to strengthen the hiring activity of Agricultural Engineering Department	1100	20
6	Establishment of Jackfruit value addition facility at Panruti, Cuddalore	1612.75	1

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