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DATA ON AGRI-BASED ENTERPRISES AND STARTUPS

1849. SHRI SHASHANK MANI:

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

(a) whether the Government has data on the number of agri-based enterprises established in Uttar Pradesh, particularly in Deoria, and the extent of funding support and training provided for these enterprises;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether there is data on the adoption rates of agri-tech and innovative practices among farmers in various districts of Uttar Pradesh, as well as on the number of women-led agri enterprises and startups supported by Government schemes 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) to (c): Data on agri-based enterprises in states or districts, their funding support or training is not maintained centrally. However, under “Innovation and Agri-Entrepreneurship Development” programme of the PM-Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (PM-RKVY), 2 Agribusiness Incubators in Uttar Pradesh namely Indian Institute of Technology- Banaras Hindu University (IIT-BHU), Varanasi and ICAR-Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar, Bareilly are supporting and training startups in agriculture sector.

So far, 198 startups have been trained including 1 in Deoria district and 88 startups supported with financial assistance of Rs. 5.60 crore in Uttar Pradesh under the programme.

The 88 agri-startups supported under the programme are working with more than 65,000 farmers in various districts of Uttar Pradesh. Krishi Melas are organized by the Knowledge Partners (KPs) and RKVY Agribusiness Incubators (R-ABIs) from time to time to showcase the products and innovative technologies of the startups to farmers and connect them for field demonstrations, trials, sales, etc. In the country, 448 women-led startups have been supported in this programme, including 27 in Uttar Pradesh.
