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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1882
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11TH MARCH, 2025

DOUBLING FARMERS INCOME

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

- (a) the progress made in doubling farmers' income and measures taken in the last two years;
- (b) the status of implementation of the PM-KISAN scheme and total beneficiaries covered; and
- (c) the steps taken to promote natural farming and reduce chemical fertilizer dependency?

ANSWER

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

(a): Agriculture is a State subject and Government of India supports the efforts of States through appropriate policy measures, budgetary allocation and various schemes/ programmes. The various schemes/ programmes of the Government of India are meant for the welfare of farmers by increasing production, remunerative returns and income support to farmers. The Government has substantially enhanced the budget allocation of Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) from ₹ 21933.50 crore BE during 2013-14 to ₹ 1,22,528.77 crore BE during 2024-25. Major schemes/programmes initiated by DA&FW to enhance overall income of farmers and remunerative returns in the agriculture sector are as under:

1. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)
2. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY)
3. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)/ Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS)
4. Modified Interest Subvention Scheme (MISS)
5. Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)
6. Formation and Promotion of 10,000 new Farmer Producers Organizations (FPOs)
7. National Bee Keeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)
8. Namo Drone Didi

9. National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)
10. Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA)
11. Agri Fund for Start-Ups & Rural Enterprises' (AgriSURE)
12. Per Drop More Crop (PDMC)
13. Sub-Mission on Agriculture Mechanization (SMAM)
14. Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)
15. Soil Health & Fertility (SH&F)
16. Rainfed Area Development (RAD)
17. Agroforestry
18. Crop Diversification Programme (CDP)
19. Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension (SMAE)
20. Sub-Mission on Seed and Planting Material (SMSP)
21. National Food Security and Nutrition Mission (NFSNM)
22. Integrated Scheme for Agriculture Marketing (ISAM)
23. Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)
24. National Mission on Edible Oils (NMEO)-Oil Palm
25. National Mission on Edible Oils (NMEO)-Oilseeds
26. Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region
27. Digital Agriculture Mission
28. National Bamboo Mission

Indian Council on Agricultural Research (ICAR) has released a book, which contains compilation of success stories of 75,000 farmers out of innumerable successful farmers who have increased their income more than two times.

(b): The Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) is a Central Sector Scheme, being implemented since 1st December, 2018. The Scheme aims at providing financial assistance to all landholding farmer families across the country, subject to certain exclusion criteria, to enable them to take care of expenses related to agriculture and allied activities as well as domestic needs. Under the Scheme, an amount of ₹ 6000/- per year is transferred in three 4-monthly installments of ₹ 2000/- directly into the bank accounts of the farmers.

As on 05/03/2025, under the Scheme, the benefits of the scheme worth more than ₹ 3.68 Lakh Crore had been provided to beneficiary farmers' families.

(c): To promote Natural Farming in the Country, the Union Cabinet approved National Mission on Natural Farming on 25th November, 2024. The operational Guidelines for implementation of the Mission have been issued on 26.12.2024.

National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) is a standalone Centrally Sponsored Scheme under Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (DA&FW), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (MoA&FW) with proposed outlay of ₹2481.00 crore, (Government of India share is ₹1584.00 crore and States share ₹897.00 crore).

Natural farming (NF) is a chemical free farming, involving livestock (preferably local breed of cow) integrated natural farming methods, and diversified crop systems rooted in the Indian traditional knowledge. It is aimed towards improving soil health with greater climate resilience and reducing input cost to the farmer.
