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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2903

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025

## **EXTENSION OF GROUNDNUT PROCUREMENT**

2903. SHRI GODAM NAGESH:

SHRI CHAVDA VINOD LAKHAMSHI:

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

- (a) the details of quantity of groundnuts procured during the extended period in Telangana, Karnataka and Gujarat;
- (b) the impact details of procurement extension on the market price of groundnuts in these States;
- (c) whether any specific measures have been taken to support small and marginal farmers during the extension; and
- (d) 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): The details of quantity of groundnut for Kharif 2024-25 season procured and number of farmers benefitted during the extended period under Price Support Scheme (PSS) in Karnataka and Gujarat is as under:-

S. No.	State	Extended period	Quantity procured	No. of farmers
			(in MT)	benefitted
1.	Karnataka	10.02.2025 to 15.02.2025	1,407.072	1,650
2.	Gujarat	09.02.2025 to 14.02.2025	25,837.00	7,517

No proposal for the procurement of Groundnut under PSS was received from the Govt. of Telangana during Kharif 2024-25 season.

(b) to (d): The overall market forces also respond positively to the intervention of the Government in organizing procurement operations of notified Pulses and Oilseeds & Copra

at MSP under PSS. Under the PSS, a farmer can sell his produce to a maximum of 40 quintals per day at the procurement centre that is meant to protect the interests of the small and marginal farmers. A system has been put in place for Aadhar Based registration of farmers on the portals like eSamriddhi Portal of NAFED and eSanyukti portal of NCCF and the portals of the State for selling their produce. The farmers are informed via SMS and Whataspp to make them aware about the procurement operation to be undertaken by the central nodal agencies of the Govt. namely NAFED and NCCF. The payments to the farmers are being released to their individual bank accounts though RTGS or NEFT within three days from actual delivery by the procuring agency.

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