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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3955 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025

## **AGROFORESTRY POLICY**

3955. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

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

- (a) the present status of agroforestry policy in the country;
- (b) whether small and rural households have been benefitted by the agroforestry during last three years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the incentives being provided for carrying out the agroforestry practices?

## **ANSWER**

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

- (a): The Government of India formulated National Agroforestry Policy (NAP) in 2014 to encourage tree planation on farm land to meet the increasing demand of timber, food, fuel, fodder, fertilizer, fibre, and other agroforestry products; conserving the natural resources and forest; protecting the environment & providing environmental security; and increasing the forest/tree cover. Agroforestry Scheme is presently implemented as a component under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) with focus on production of Quality Planting Material to increase tree cover on farm lands.
- (b) & (c): As per the reports received from States, under Agroforestry component of PMRKVY, 102,996 farmers including small farmers have been benefitted as detailed below:

| Years               | Nos. of farmers benefitted |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 2023-24             | 69, 827                    |
| 2024-25 (till date) | 33,169                     |
| TOTAL               | 1,02,996                   |

- (d): Under the Agroforestry scheme, financial assistance is provided for support of nurseries and raising saplings as below :
  - i.Rs. 50 lakh for setting up of High-Tech nursery.
  - ii.Rs. 16 lakh for setting up of Big nursery.
  - iii.Rs. 10 lakh for setting up of Small nursery.
  - iv.Rs. 200 lakh for establishment of new Tissue Culture Unit.
  - v.Rs. 20 for strengthening of existing Tissue Culture Units.
  - vi.Rs. 5 lakh for raising saplings in the existing nursery.

100% assistance is provided to Government agencies and 50% assistance to farmers and private entrepreneur.