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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2706 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH August, 2025

SUPPORT TO FARMERS

2706. SHRI DURAI VAIKO:

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

- (a) the steps taken by the Government in the last five years to support and encourage farmers in Tiruchirappalli and Pudukottai districts of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) whether the Government has introduced or implemented any special schemes or initiatives focused on improving agricultural productivity, irrigation, crop diversification, or organic farming in these districts;
- (c) whether there are any proposals to establish agri-related infrastructure such as cold storage units, processing centres, soil testing labs, or farmer producer organisations (FPOs) in the Tiruchirappalli region;
- (d) the details of support extended under central schemes such as PM-KISAN, PMFBY, PMKSY, and Kisan Credit Card to farmers in these two districts; and
- (e) the details of future plans to set up farmer welfare facilities or agri-clusters in the Tiruchirappalli region to ensure sustainable and profitable farming?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): Agriculture is a state subject. Government of India is implementing a comprehensive range of central sector as well as centrally sponsored schemes to support the States for welfare of farmers. The list of the schemes implemented by the Government to support States in agriculture, including Tamil Nadu, is attached as **Annexure I.** These schemes focus on agricultural productivity, crop diversification and sustainable agriculture.

In 19th instalment of PM-KISAN an amount of Rs17.60 crore was disbursed to 83,401 beneficiaries in Pudukkottai district while Rs 21.96 crore was disbursed to 1,03,607 beneficiaries in Tiruchirappalli district.

Under Kisan Credit Cards (KCC), to ensure availability of agricultural credit, Rs. 55, 120.96 crore of credit was extended to 40,38,150 KCC accounts during 2024-25 in Tamil Nadu including these two districts.

Under Per Drop More Crop (PDMC), for enhanced water efficiency, Central Assistance of Rs. 2,953.38 crore has been released/sanctioned to Tamil Nadu since 2015-16 for implementation of PDMC. During this period, total area of 12.64 lakh hectare has been covered under Micro Irrigation through the scheme in the State of Tamil Nadu. The area covered under Micro Irrigation during last five years in Tiruchirappalli district is 21,506.58 hectare and in Pudukkottai district is 19,401.62 hectare.

Under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), for risk mitigation of farmers, the data from 2020-21 till June, 2025, is as follows:-

District	Application Enrolled	Insured Area	Sum Insured	Farmer Share	Claims Paid	Application Benefitted
	(In No.)	(In	(Ps. In Croro)			(In No.)
		Lakh Ha)				
Pudukkottai	15,67,761	3.31	2,660.00	40.13	182.16	4,00,694
Tiruchirappalli	7,61,923	1.85	1,396.75	27.44	181.95	2,99,159

The Government is promoting organic farming through Parampargat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) scheme. Since its inception in 2015-16, total of Rs 62.37 Cr has been released (as on 30.06.25) to the State of Tamil Nadu, covering an area of 32940 ha and 37886 farmers. The district-wise information is not maintained centrally.

In order to address the infrastructure gaps and mobilize investment in agriculture, Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF) was launched under Aatmanirbhar Bharat Package. For the state of Tamil Nadu, as on 30th June2025, Rs. 2,691 Crores have been sanctioned for 7,995 projects under AIF. The total project cost for these sanctioned projects is Rs.3,708 crores. Under AIF, 324 projects amounting to Rs.207 crores, have been sanctioned in Tiruchirappalli district and 193 projects, amounting to Rs.86 crores, have been sanctioned in Pudukkottai District of Tamil Nadu

Major schemes implemented by the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

- 1. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)
- 2. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY)
- 3. Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA)
- 4. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)/ Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS)
- 5. Modified Interest Subvention Scheme (MISS)
- 6. Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)
- 7. Formation and Promotion of 10,000 new Farmer Producers Organizations (FPOs)
- 8. National Bee Keeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)
- 9. Namo Drone Didi
- 10. Agri Fund for Start-Ups & Rural Enterprises' (AgriSURE)
- 11. National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)
- 12. Rastriya Krishi Vikas Yojana- Detailed Project Report (RKVY-DPR)
- 13. Per Drop More Crop (PDMC)
- 14. Sub-Mission on Agriculture Mechanization (SMAM)
- 15. Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)
- 16. Soil Health & Fertility (SH&F)
- 17. Rainfed Area Development (RAD)
- 18. Agroforestry
- 19. Crop Diversification Programme (CDP)
- 20. Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension (SMAE)
- 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. Digital Agriculture Mission
- 27. National Bamboo Mission
