

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2759
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 5th August, 2025

TRAINING TO FARMERS ON ADVANCED AGRICULTURAL TECHNIQUES

2759. Shri Bunty Vivek Sahu:

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

- (a) whether Chhindwara-Pandhurna region of Madhya Pradesh is an agricultural area in which various types of crops like maize, sugarcane, gram, orange, strawberry, onion, garlic, kodo, kutki etc. are produced on large scale, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there is any advanced training or information institute in the district to provide Agricultural information and training of advanced agricultural techniques to the farmers; and
- (c) whether the Government is considering or proposes to open a regional office of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) to provide advanced techniques and training facilities to the farmers in this area?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The major agricultural crops grown in Chhindwara and Pandhurna districts of Madhya Pradesh are maize, wheat, rice, small millets, gram, tur, soybean, rapeseed-mustard, groundnut, sugarcane and cotton. The details of area and production of these crops during the year 2023-24 in the district of Chhindwara and Pandhurna districts is given at **Annexure**.

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research has set up 2 Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) in Chhindwara and Pandhurna districts of Madhya Pradesh to promote advanced agricultural techniques through technology assessment, demonstration and capacity development among the extension functionaries of State governments and farmers. As part of their activities, the KVKs train the farmers on various facets of advanced agricultural techniques and organize extension activities to develop awareness about these technologies among the farmers.

Further, the Ministry is implementing the National Food Security & Nutrition Mission (NFSNM) in the 28 States and 2 Union Territories (UTs), including Madhya Pradesh, with the objective to increase production of Rice, Wheat, Pulses, Coarse Cereals (Maize & Barley), Commercial Crops (Cotton, Jute & Sugarcane) and Nutri-Cereals (Shree Anna) through area expansion, adoption of different cropping patterns and productivity enhancement in a sustainable manner. Further, the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Horticulture Mission (NHM) is being implemented in all the districts of the State and the focus crops identified are Mango, Orange, Aonla, Guava, Ber, Custard Apple, Banana, Garlic, Coriander, Chilies and Flowers.

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q No. 2759 due for reply on 05.08.2025

AREA AND PRODUCTION OF MAJOR AGRICULTURAL CROPS IN CHHINDWARA AND PANDHURNA DISTRICTS DURING 2023-24

Source: DA&FW

Crops	Production (in thousand tonnes)	Area (in thousand hectares)
Maize	1149.40	352.78
Wheat	764.78	257.50
Sugarcane	319.87	3.95
Cotton	172.57	56.12
Gram	91.13	55.19
Rice	51.36	27.91
Tur	17.13	16.80
Soybean	17.12	14.99
Rapeseed & Mustard	16.81	12.73
Groundnut	13.97	5.52
Small Millets	10.23	10.13

Production of cotton in thousand bales (each of 170 Kg.)
