

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3813
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12th AUGUST, 2025

NATIONAL BEEKEEPING AND HONEY MISSION IN KARNATAKA

3813. SHRI B Y RAGHAVENDRA:

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

- (a) the total number of projects sanctioned and funds allocated and utilised under Phase-I (2020-23) and Phase-II (2023-26) of the National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM), phase-wise;
- (b) the number of projects sanctioned under NBHM in Karnataka, including details of Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) supported, district-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to support the formation of additional beekeeping-based FPOs, especially in high-potential districts like Shivamogga, Karnataka; and
- (d) whether the Government has plans to expand NBHM interventions in forest-rich and biodiversity-rich districts such as Shivamogga by supporting training, scientific beekeeping and market linkages to improve livelihoods and promote local honey clusters?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

- (a): During the Phase-I (2020-23) of implementation of National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM) scheme, 150 projects have been sanctioned for an amount of Rs. 19017.61 lakh and Rs.12997.00 lakh utilized. During Phase-II (2023-26), 202 projects have been sanctioned for an amount of Rs. 16161.15 lakh and Rs.14525.00 lakh has been utilized till date.
- (b): Under the NBHM scheme, 21 projects have been sanctioned to the implementing agencies for implementation in the state of Karnataka which include Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) namely, M/s Makaranda Farmer Producer Cooperative Society

Limited, Uttar Kannada District by National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and M/s Gramajanya Farmer Producer Company Limited, Dakshina Kannada District by Small Farmers Agri-business Consortium (SFAC).

(c) & (d): Under NBHM, demand-driven project-based assistance is provided to the implementing agencies including beekeeping based FPOs. Assistance is provided as per provisions of NBHM guidelines for the interventions. These include awareness, capacity building, trainings, setting up of requisite infrastructural facilities, viz.; Integrated Beekeeping Development Centre (IBDCs), Honeybees Disease Diagnostic Labs, Setting/upgradation of Honey Testing labs, Beekeeping Equipment Manufacturing Units, Custom Hiring Centres, Development of Quality Nucleus Stock Centre & Bee Breeders, bee-flora plantation for enhancing biodiversity, Centre for Packaging, Storages, Cold Storage, etc. Targeted 10,000 FPOs under Central Sector Scheme of Formation & Promotion of 10,000 FPOs have already been registered. A project has been sanctioned to Keladi Shivappa Nayaka University of Agricultural & Horticultural Sciences, Mudigere, Shivamogga for establishment of mini honey testing lab with financial assistance of Rs. 101.57 lakhs.
