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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4325TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH August, 2025

SUPPORT FOR SMALL AND MARGINAL FARMERS IN HINGOLI

4325. SHRI AASHTIKAR PATIL NAGESH BAPURAO:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the prevailing agrarian distress and challenges faced by farmers in the Hingoli district of Maharashtra due to erratic rainfall, lack of irrigation facilities and crop losses;
- (b) if so, the details of the specific measures taken or proposed by the Government to support small and marginal farmers in Hingoli, including provision of crop insurance, improved irrigation infrastructure and access to high quality seeds and fertilizers;
- (c) whether any Central schemes such as PM-KISAN, PMFBY or the Soil Health Card Scheme are being effectively implemented in Hingoli and if so, the number of beneficiaries under each scheme during the last three years; and
- (d) whether the Government plans to establish any agro-processing units, FPOs (Farmer Producer Organisations) or agricultural research centres in Hingoli to enhance farmers' income and promote value addition?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): As reported by the State Government of Maharashtra, the State is aware of the agrarian issues in Hingoli District. In order to support the farmers including small and marginal farmers, for risk management due to crop loss and ensure remunerative returns for agro-produce, a number of schemes have been implemented.

Under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-Kisan), the number of beneficiaries increased from 44,936 in 2022-23 to 1,12,341 in 2024-25 in Hingoli district.

For insuring farmers against crop loss, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) is being implemented in the State. The number of beneficiaries of PMFBY, who received claims, in Hingoli district is given below:

Season	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Kharif	1,80,839	2,21,106	2,08,986
Rabi	9,622	1,14,360	76,511

In order to support sustainable integrated nutrient management, Soil Health Card (SHCs) and advisories have been issued in Hingoli district. 2850 SHCs were issued in 2022-23, 3600 SHCs in 2023-24 and 6000 SHCs in 2024-25.

Government of Maharashtra has started Hon'ble Balasaheb Thackeray Turmeric Research and Training centre at Basmat in Hingoli to enhance farmer income by promoting value addition in turmeric. 10 Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) have been sanctioned. Primary and Secondary Agro processing units in the district under SMART project have been established. 219 individual beneficiaries have been supported for agro Processing Units under Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) scheme.
