

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2589
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH DECEMBER, 2025

PM-KISAN IN WEST BENGAL

2589. MS SAYANI GHOSH:

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

(a) whether the West Bengal Government submitting verified lists of eligible farmers under the PM-KISAN scheme, the Union Government has not released funds for several installments;

(b) the current status of PM-KISAN fund disbursement to eligible beneficiaries in West Bengal, including the total number of farmers who have received installments and those whose applications remain pending;

(c) whether the Union Government is aware that due to non-release of PM-KISAN installments, the State Government was compelled to introduce alternative welfare initiatives such as a Rs. 5,000 annual farmer assistance schemes and free crop insurance; and

(d) whether the Government has taken note of the difficulties faced by small and marginal farmers in the State due to delays in receiving timely financial assistance, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The PM-KISAN scheme is a central sector scheme launched in February 2019 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister to supplement the financial needs of farmers with cultivable land-holding. Under the scheme, a financial benefit of ₹ 6,000/- per year is transferred in three equal instalments, into the Aadhaar seeded bank accounts of farmers through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode. Under the PM-KISAN Scheme, cultivable landholding is primary eligibility criteria to receive benefit of the Scheme subject to certain exclusions relating to higher economic status.

A farmer-centric digital infrastructure has ensured the benefits of the scheme reach all the farmers across the country without involvement of any intermediaries. Maintaining absolute transparency in registering and verifying beneficiaries, the Government of India has disbursed over ₹ 4.09 lakh Crore through 21 instalments since inception of the Scheme across the country.

Under the PM-KISAN Scheme, States/UTs are mandated to identify and verify the eligible beneficiaries under the scheme and upload the error-free data of eligible farmers including land records, linking of Aadhaar with their bank accounts and e-KYC for successful transfer of the benefits. The registration of farmers and their verification under the Scheme is an ongoing process. Once the correct and verified data of farmers is received from the State/UTs, benefit is processed immediately by the Department and the same is released in the subsequent instalment.

Government of West Bengal started providing data of its farmers since FY 2021-22 and the farmers of West Bengal have since been receiving benefits under the Scheme.

The instalment-wise details of benefits released to the farmers of West Bengal is attached at Annexure.

Annexure**Instalment-wise details of benefits released to the farmers of West Bengal,
As on 25.11.2025**

Sr. No.	Instalment period	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount (in Rs. Cr.)
1	Dec., 2018 - March, 2019	-	-
2	April, 2019 - July, 2019	-	-
3	August, 2019 - Nov, 2019	-	-
4	Dec., 2019- March, 2020	-	-
5	April, 2020- July, 2020	-	-
6	August, 2020- Nov, 2020	-	-
7	Dec., 2020- March, 2021	-	-
8	April, 2021- July, 2021	20,29,757	573.53
9	August, 2021- Nov, 2021	35,84,794	980.01
10	Dec., 2021- March, 2022	46,29,279	1,074.79
11	April, 2022 - July, 2022	46,78,486	1,030.14
12	August, 2022 - Nov, 2022	44,44,154	928.73
13	Dec, 2022 - March, 2023	42,91,178	881.52
14	April, 2023 - July, 2023	44,72,183	1,004.21
15	August, 2023 - Nov, 2023	39,80,679	909.34
16	Dec., 2023 - March, 2024	44,05,646	1,140.25
17	April, 2024 - July, 2024	44,98,404	964.42
18	August, 2024 - Nov, 2024	45,03,171	931.55
19	Dec., 2024 - March, 2025	46,09,388	1,001.36
20	April, 2025 - July, 2025	44,78,537	942.92
21	August, 2025 - Nov, 2025	44,48,643	889.73
