

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

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No.346
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 17TH MARCH, 2026

PROJECTS UNDER AGRICULTURE INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

*346. SHRI BABU SINGH KUSHWAHA:

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

- (a) the details of the number of proposals approved under the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund in Jaunpur, Etah and Kasganj districts during the last five years, Project and year-wise;
- (b) the details of total loan amount, interest subvention and credit guarantee sanctioned for warehouse, cold storage, silo, primary processing centre and other agricultural infrastructure projects in the said districts;
- (c) whether any assessment has been made in regard to direct/indirect employment generation and increasing income of farmers, FPOs, cooperative societies and agri-entrepreneurs through the said projects and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to formulate any special action plan to develop agricultural value chain based clusters in the said districts?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)

(a) to (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 346 FOR REPLY ON 17TH MARCH, 2026 REGARDING PROJECTS UNDER AGRICULTURE INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

(a): The project wise and year-wise details of the projects approved in Jaunpur, Etah and Kasganj districts under Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF) is at Annexure.

(b): The details of loan amount, interest subvention and credit guarantee sanctioned for various projects as per AIF Portal from April 2023 till 11th March 2026 in the said districts are as below:

(Rs. in crores)

District	Loan amount	Subvention amount*	CGTMSE amount*
Jaunpur	61.08	0.86	0.25
Etah	58.52	1.01	0.15
Kasganj	48.87	0.40	0.06
Total	168.47	2.27	0.46

* The district wise data prior to April 2023 was not maintained centrally.

(c): The Government has undertaken a third-party Impact Assessment study conducted by the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmadabad to evaluate access to credit, performance of assets and overall outcomes under AIF, including employment generation and income enhancement of farmers, FPOs, cooperative societies and agri-entrepreneurs. The study indicates that AIF-supported projects generate about 8–9 direct and 4 indirect jobs per unit with 12–15% female participation, while investments in storage, cold chains, processing units and custom hiring centres have improved operational efficiency and enhanced price realisation for farmers. The assessment also indicates strong project implementation with over 97% of projects operational and NPAs below 3%, reflecting effective asset creation and positive outcomes for agri-entrepreneurship and rural employment.

(d): No applications have been received under AIF for developing value chain based clusters in the Jaunpur, Etah and Kasganj districts of Uttar Pradesh.

A. Project-wise projects sanctioned (in last five years) under AIF Scheme in Etah, Jaunpur and Kasganj Districts:

S.N.	Project Type	No. of Projects in Jaunpur	No. of Projects in Etah	No. of Projects in Kasganj
1	Cold Stores and Cold Chain	1	8	3
2	Composite Project-Primary processing Center, Bio stimulant production units	-	1	-
3	Custom Hiring Centre	23	21	20
4	Farm/Harvest Automation	36	26	3
5	Integrated Primary and Secondary Processing Unit	1	5	1
6	Others (silos, ripening chambers etc)	11	18	-
7	PHM Activities	-	1	1
8	PM-KUSUM Com-B and Com-C	-	2	-
9	Poly House/ Greenhouse	-	1	2
10	Primary processing Center	61	22	6
11	Sorting & Grading Unit	6	2	-
12	Warehouse	1	27	23
13	Mushroom Farming	3	-	-
14	Organic inputs production	1	-	-
15	Bio stimulant production units	-	-	1
16	Packaging units	2	-	-
	Total	146	134	60

B. Year-wise projects sanctioned (in last five years) under AIF Scheme in Etah, Jaunpur and Kasganj Districts:

Year	No. of Projects sanctioned in Jaunpur	No. of Projects sanctioned in Etah	No. of Projects sanctioned in Kasganj
2025	69	54	23
2024	44	31	19
2023	25	26	8
2022	6	8	1
2021	2	15	9
Total	146	134	60