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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3957**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2026

**PULSE PROCESSING UNITS**

3957. SHRI RAHUL SINGH LODHI:

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

- (a) the total number of pulse processing units sanctioned across the country as of December 2025, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of the priority units identified in the first phase of the project, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of the phased plan and timeline for the distribution of 8.8 million (88 lakh) seed-kits of high-yielding varieties of Arhar (Tur) and Masoor (Lentil);
- (d) the total number of districts identified for the initial rollout of this distribution program, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the total area of land identified or mapped so far against the target of bringing an additional 3.5 million (35 lakh) hectares under pulses cultivation, State/UT-wise?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY)

(a) & (b): The Union Cabinet has approved a centrally sponsored scheme namely 'Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses' on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2025 aimed at boosting domestic production and achieving self-sufficiency (Aatmanirbharta) in pulses over a six-year period, from 2025-26 to 2030-31, with a financial outlay of Rs. 11,440 Crore.

Under the Post-harvest infrastructure component of the mission, a total of 1000 processing units have been approved for the mission period. Out of the 1000 processing

units, in the first phase, target of 528 processing units have been allotted to States and Union Territories. State wise initial target of processing units is at Annexure-I.

(c): To increase the area and production of Pulses in the rice fallow areas and other diversifiable areas, the support is being provided through the distribution of free seed kit. Under the mission, 87.5 lakh seed kits are targeted to be distributed in 6 years as per the Annual Action Plan (AAP) submitted by States/UTs. During Rabi 2025-26, a total 10.36 lakh seed kits have been allocated to States. The state wise allocation is at Annexure-II. The tentative targets of seed kits for 2026-27, 2027-28, 2028-29, 2029-30 and 2030-31 are 15.00 lakh, 16.25 lakh, 17.50 lakh, 13.75 lakh and 12.5 lakh numbers respectively.

(d): A total 489 districts have been identified as focussed districts for clusters under pulses Mission. The identified districts may be modified in future based on local requirement and changing context. The list of focus districts in the country is at Annexure-III.

(e): The total area under pulses cultivation is projected to expand by 35 lakh hectares, comprising 24.5 lakh hectares in traditional areas and 10.5 lakh hectares in non-traditional area under pulses by 2030–31. The estimated area expansion under the Mission is at Annexure-IV.

**Annexure-I**

The State-wise target of processing units under post-harvest infrastructure component under Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses in first phase is as under:

(in Numbers)

<b>S.No</b>	<b>States</b>	<b>Processing Units (Dall Mills)</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	22
2	Arunachal Pradesh	10
3	Assam	25
4	Bihar	37
5	Chhattisgarh	22
6	Goa	5
7	Gujarat	28
8	Haryana	5
9	Himachal Pradesh	5
10	Jammu & Kashmir	5
11	Jharkhand	22
12	Ladakh	5
13	Karnataka	30
14	Kerala	5
15	Madhya Pradesh	55
16	Maharashtra	34
17	Manipur	5
18	Meghalaya	5
19	Mizoram	5
20	Nagaland	11
21	Odisha	16
22	Punjab	5
23	Puducherry	5
24	Rajasthan	30
25	Sikkim	5
26	Tamil Nadu	21
27	Telangana	16
28	Tripura	8
29	Uttar Pradesh	56
30	Uttarakhand	9
31	West Bengal	16
	<b>Total</b>	<b>528</b>

**Annexure-II****State-wise Allocation of Seedkits during Rabi 2025-26**

<b>State</b>	<b>No. of seed kits</b>
Andhra Pradesh	96,200
Assam	25,000
Bihar	20,000
Chhattisgarh	68,100
Gujarat	4,500
Haryana	17,580
Jharkhand	12,000
Karnataka	8,000
Madhya Pradesh	2,22,700
Maharashtra	95,000
Odisha	18,500
Punjab	5,000
Rajasthan	1,28,700
Tamil Nadu	82,500
Telangana	5,000
Tripura	2,000
Uttar Pradesh	2,11,000
West Bengal	15,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,36,780</b>

**List of focus districts under Pulses Mission**

<b>States</b>	<b>Focus Districts (Nos)</b>
Andhra Pradesh	22
Arunachal Pradesh	10
Assam	25
Bihar	37
Chhattisgarh	22
Gujarat	28
Haryana	3
Himachal Pradesh	2
Jammu & Kashmir	2
Jharkhand	22
Ladakh	1
Karnataka	30
Madhya Pradesh	55
Maharashtra	34
Meghalaya	3
Nagaland	11
Odisha	16
Puducherry	3
Punjab	7
Rajasthan	30
Tamil Nadu	21
Telangana	16
Tripura	8
Uttar Pradesh	56
Uttarakhand	9
West Bengal	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>489</b>

## Annexure-IV

## Projected Area Expansion of Pulses

(in lakh ha)

S.No.	State	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31
1	Andhra Pradesh	11.39	11.67	11.80	12.00	12.29	12.58	12.79
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.16
3	Assam	1.66	1.70	1.72	1.75	1.79	1.83	1.86
4	Bihar	4.48	4.59	4.64	4.72	4.84	4.95	5.03
5	Chhattisgarh	6.87	7.04	7.12	7.24	7.42	7.59	7.71
6	Goa	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04
7	Gujarat	13.16	13.49	13.63	13.87	14.20	14.54	14.78
8	Haryana	0.75	0.77	0.78	0.79	0.81	0.83	0.84
9	Himachal Pradesh	0.29	0.30	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.32	0.33
10	Jammu and Kashmir	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.36
11	Jharkhand	8.96	9.18	9.28	9.44	9.67	9.90	10.06
12	Karnataka	34.07	34.92	35.29	35.91	36.77	37.64	38.26
13	Kerala	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
14	Ladakh	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
15	Madhya Pradesh	45.55	46.69	47.18	48.01	49.17	50.32	51.15
16	Maharashtra	49.79	51.03	51.58	52.48	53.74	55.01	55.91
17	Manipur	0.31	0.32	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.35
18	Meghalaya	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10
19	Mizoram	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
20	Nagaland	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.36
21	Odisha	5.41	5.55	5.60	5.70	5.84	5.98	6.07
22	Puducherry	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
23	Punjab	0.6	0.62	0.62	0.63	0.65	0.66	0.67
24	Rajasthan	54.02	55.37	55.96	56.94	58.31	59.68	60.66
25	Sikkim	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06
26	Tamil Nadu	7.5	7.69	7.77	7.90	8.10	8.29	8.42
27	Telangana	3.54	3.63	3.67	3.73	3.82	3.91	3.97
28	Tripura	0.21	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.24
29	Uttar Pradesh	21.77	22.31	22.55	22.95	23.50	24.05	24.45
30	Uttarakhand	0.49	0.50	0.51	0.52	0.53	0.54	0.55
31	West Bengal	4.39	4.50	4.55	4.63	4.74	4.85	4.93
	<b>All India</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>310</b>

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