

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

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 130
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 8TH DECEMBER, 2015

SUBSIDY TO FARMERS

*130. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:
SHRI M. RAJA MOHAN REDDY:

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

- (a) the estimated numbers of medium, marginal and small farmers in each State/ UT;
- (b) the subsidy given to these categories of farmers in the current year;
- (c) whether the quantum of subsidy being given to the farmers is on the increase during each of the last three years and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether substantial amount of subsidy is cornered by rich and big farmers depriving small farmers and thereby putting them at the mercy of local money lenders and if so, the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that small and marginal farmers are able to avail maximum benefits of the subsidy scheme of the Union Government?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH)

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 130 DUE FOR REPLY ON 8TH DECEMBER, 2015.**

(a): As per the latest Agriculture Census 2010-11, estimated numbers of Marginal (below 1.00 ha.), Small (1.00-2.00 ha.) and Medium including Semi-medium (2.00-10.00 ha.) farmers/operational holdings is given at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): The details of subsidies given to medium, marginal and small farmers are not maintained separately. However, as per the latest information available with the Government on subsidies being provided to farmers in agriculture and related sectors is as under:

(in Rs. Crores)

Item	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
Subsidies to Agriculture and allied sector	90130	106923	111758

Source: National Accounts Division, Central Statistical Office (CSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.

It is observed that the quantum of subsidy being given to the farmers has been increasing during the years 2011-12 to 2013-14.

(d) & (e): No, Madam. Government is taking several measures to ensure that certain allocation of funds is to be made for Small and Marginal farmers. The Government has designed its programmes like National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Soil Health Card Scheme (SHCS), National Mission on Agricultural Extension and Technology (NMAET), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) etc. for taking care of Small and Marginal farmers. As per guidelines, in NFSM, at least 33% allocation of fund is made for Small & Marginal farmers. For Soil Health Card Scheme, Soil testing in irrigated areas in the case of Marginal and Small holdings is done more intensively in Smaller grid. Similarly,

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under Sub-Mission on Seeds and Planting Material (SMSP) under NMAET, the financial assistance for distribution of certified seeds at 50% cost of the seeds for cereal crops and 60% for pulses, oilseeds, fodder and green manure crops for production of quality seeds is now available for one acre (0.4 hectare) per farmer. Under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) – Per drop more crop- Small and Marginal farmers are eligible for higher subsidy of 60 % in drought prone and North East areas and 45 % in other areas.

Annexure-I

Annexure-I referred in Part-(a) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.130 due for answer on 8th December, 2015

State-wise number of operational holdings as per Agriculture Census 2010-11

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Number of operational holdings		
		Marginal (below 1.00 ha.)	Small (1.00 - 2.00 ha.)	Medium (2.00 - 10.00 ha.)*
1	2	3	4	5
1	A & N Islands	4626	2415	4729
2	Andhra Pradesh	8424698	2918374	1796375
3	Arunachal Pradesh	21456	19333	61979
4	Assam	1831115	496574	388397
5	Bihar	14744098	948016	496148
6	Chandigarh	453	133	125
7	Chhattisgarh	2182834	831118	704830
8	D & N Haveli	8177	3903	2540
9	Daman & Diu	7716	458	173
10	Delhi	11308	4517	4522
11	Goa	59900	9817	7717
12	Gujarat	1815634	1429021	1592184
13	Haryana	778142	314818	478522
14	Himachal Pradesh	670425	174596	112474
15	Jammu & Kashmir	1206612	167130	75130
16	Jharkhand	1848324	428861	411501
17	Karnataka	3848834	2138208	1777574
18	Kerala	6579692	180171	69072
19	Lakshadweep	9854	267	156
20	Madhya Pradesh	3891016	2448652	2443977
21	Maharashtra	6709034	4052317	2869700
22	Manipur	76735	48850	24995
23	Meghalaya	102714	57755	48854
24	Mizoram	50210	29753	11653
25	Nagaland	6476	20338	126425
26	Odisha	3368296	918647	374949
27	Puducherry	28481	2779	1897
28	Punjab	164431	195439	622966
29	Rajasthan	2511512	1511068	2462266
30	Sikkim	40476	16941	16731
31	Tamil Nadu	6266555	1181344	652954
32	Tripura	499054	55043	24296
33	Uttar Pradesh	18532272	3035331	1732544
34	Uttarakhand	672138	157330	82083
35	West Bengal	5852681	979833	290131
	All India	92825979	24779150	19770569

* includes Semi-medium holdings (2.00 – 4.00 ha.)
