

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2913**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2016

**FARMER PRODUCER ORGANISATIONS**

2913. DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:  
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to attract young farmers towards the formation and promotion of the Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) to carry out agri-business in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the monetary support provided to the States for the promotion of FPOs during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether any assistance/support has been provided to FPOs by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) through Krishi Vigyan Kendras in various districts in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to strengthen agriculture based livelihood through FPOs in the country?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI MOHANBHAI KUNDARIYA)

(a): SFAC has been mandated by the Government to support the State Governments in the formation of Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs). The initiative which started in 2011-12 under the two Central Sector Schemes for Vegetable Initiative for Urban Clusters (VIUC) and Integrated Development of 60,000 Pulse Villages in Rainfed Areas has expanded in its scope and covers special FPO projects being taken up by some State Governments under general Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) funds as well as under the National Demonstration Project under the National Food Security Mission (NFSM) and Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH).

Accordingly, SFAC has so far promoted 694 FPOs for farmers including for young farmers under the above schemes, out of which 410 FPOs have already been registered and many of them are actively participating in agri-business activities.

(b): State-wise details on the number of FPOs promoted by SFAC and expenditure on the same during the last three years and the current financial year are annexed. The expenditure incurred by SFAC is from the funds received from the concerned State Governments, who engage SFAC for promotion of FPOs under Various Central Sector Schemes. These funds have been released by SFAC to Resource Institutions (RIs) in various States who have been engaged to execute these tasks on the ground.

(c) & (d): No assistance/support is being provided to FPOs by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) through Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs).

**STATE WISE DETAILS OF FPOs PROMOTED AND FINANCIAL EXPENDITURE DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS AND THE CURRENT YEAR**

S. No	Name of State	No. of FPOs Promoted				Financial Expenditure (Rs. in Lakh)			
		Total no. of farmers mobilized	Total no. of FPOs	Total no. of registered FPOs	FPOs in the process of registration	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16
1	Andhra Pradesh	1729	7	0	7	106.00	65.00	71.00	22.63
2	Assam	NIL				3.23			
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1750	2	2	0	19.20	4.73		
4	Bihar	14174	19	19	0	64.80	33.48	42.25	
5	Chhattisgarh	13293	25	5	20	45.50		181.80	
6	Delhi	3535	4	4	0	18.23			
7	Goa	1810	2	2	0	21.57	4.73		
8	Gujarat	18919	21	11	10	52.31	50.75	159.23	
9	Haryana	11050	25	16	9	46.80	13.67		
10	Himachal Pradesh	3698	4	1	3		35.93	13.04	
11	Jammu & Kashmir	6814	7	2	5	15.37	36.67	76.95	
12	Jharkhand	10009	8	8	0	92.97	49.65		
13	Karnataka	25904	82	15	67	150.32	78.82	244.90	192.36
14	Kerala	NIL				3.45		2.48	
15	Madhya Pradesh	85266	144	79	65	240.73	313.58	423.02	
16	Maharashtra	70001	92	63	29	267.18	275.80	311.68	163.97
17	Manipur	2650	7	2	5	15.75	9.45	2.46	8.21
18	Meghalaya	2615	4	2	2	15.12	12.60	36.23	
19	Mizoram	1700	3	0	3	3.45		2.33	
20	Nagaland	1750	2	2	0	7.88	8.66		
21	Odisha	28121	42	19	23	52.26	60.58	177.85	110.14
22	Punjab	6288	7	7	0	25.65	75.47	2.95	
23	Rajasthan	44414	40	36	4	251.48	129.50	103.30	82.60
24	Sikkim	1876	2	2	0	19.20	10.21		
25	Tamil Nadu	9538	11	10	1	34.43		51.22	
26	Telangana	24539	20	15	5	108.67		30.73	
27	Tripura	2874	4	3	1	15.75	9.45	9.31	
28	Uttarakhand	6004	7	7	0	89.65	2.77	120.20	
29	Uttar Pradesh	33891	36	30	6	37.80	20.25	10.00	
30	West Bengal	60301	67	48	19	57.37	169.93	465.05	
<b>Total</b>		<b>494513</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>1882.12</b>	<b>1471.66</b>	<b>2537.96</b>	<b>579.91</b>

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