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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2544 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY. 2016

#### SUBSIDY ON PURCHASE OF DRIP IRRIGATION SYSTEM

2544. SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

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

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating to transfer subsidy meant for purchase of drips system and other agro implements directly to the bank accounts of farmers and provide them a free hand to purchase these implements from open market instead of purchasing from designated companies/retailers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the subsidy granted to the farming community in the country during each of the last three years under various schemes?

#### **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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

(a) to (c): The Central Grant is released to State Governments with the advice to make efforts for direct transfer of subsidy amount in the respective bank accounts of the beneficiary farmers. State Governments after following due quality inspection checks have registered sufficient number of manufacturers/suppliers of drip systems and other agro implements to ensure availability of good quality equipments to the farmers at reasonable cost and providing them free hand to choose from these registered manufacturers/suppliers. The details of the Central Grant given to the States for providing subsidy to the farmers on account of above during each of the last three years under various schemes is at Annexure-I.

### Annexure-I

Annexure-I referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha admitted Unstarred Question No. 2544 for answer on 10-5-2016 regarding Subsidy on Purchase of Drip Irrigation System.

Details of the Central Grant given to the States for providing subsidy to the farmers during each of the last three years under various schemes pertaining to purchase of drip irrigation systems and other agro implements

(Rs in Crore)

S. No	Name of Scheme	Central Grant released		
INO		2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
1.	*Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation	1271.48	962.66	1000.28
2.	#Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization	NIL	165.84	131.08

<sup>\*</sup> The Scheme was implemented as "National Mission on Micro Irrigation" during 2013-14, as "On Farm Water Management" under National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture during 2014-15 and as "Per Drop More Crop" under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana during 2015-16.

# The Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization is operational from Financial Year 2014-15 onwards.

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