

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.412
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26TH APRIL, 2016

CULTIVATION OF CROPS

412. SHRI ARJUN MEGHWAL:

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

- (a) whether there are several States/UTs in the country where farmers cultivate three crops in a calendar year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government propose to take initiatives to introduce such cropping pattern in other States, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the production of foodgrains to make India self-reliant in the field of agriculture?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Farmers cultivate three crops in a calendar year depending upon availability of irrigation facilities in a number of States e.g. Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh etc.

(c): Farmers are encouraged to grow as many crops as possible depending upon irrigation facilities available. In order to increase irrigation facilities, Government of India is implementing Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY). Farmers are being encouraged to take up cultivation of rice, wheat, pulses and coarse cereals under National Food Security Mission (NFSM), oilseeds under National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP), horticulture crops under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), as second and third crop apart from intervention under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY).

(d): In order to enhance production of foodgrains in the country, Government of India is implementing various crops production programme viz. National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP), National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), Soil Health Card Scheme, Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) etc.
