

Sl. No.	Name of State	Assistance Approved
2.	Karnataka	226.57
3.	Andhra Pradesh	254.54
During-2014-2015		
1.	Haryana	168.87
2.	Karnataka	200.85
3.	Uttar Pradesh	777.34
4.	Maharashtra	1962.99
5.	Andhra Pradesh	237.51

Loan to landless farmers

†494. SHRI NAZIR AHMED LAWAY:
MIR MOHAMMAD FAYAZ:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is proposing to grant loans to the landless farmers, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, Government's response to the news published in a reputed Hindi newspaper on 4 June, 2015?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJIBHAI KUNDARIYA): (a) Yes, Sir. The target for financing five lakh Joint Farming Groups of Bhoomi Heen Kisan (Landless Farmers) through National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) was announced in the Union Budget for 2014-15. NABARD has advised all the States/UTs the target for financing five lakh Joint Farming Groups of Bhoomi Heen Kisan through banks during 2014-15. As on 31 March, 2015, 11.25 lakh Joint Liability Groups have been provided ₹ 11,036.16 crore credit by banks.

(b) Does not arise.

My Village and My Pride scheme

495. DR. K.P. RAMALINGAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to launch a new scheme titled "My Village and My Pride", if so, the details thereof; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.