

श्री राम नाथ ठाकुर (बिहार): महोदय, मैं भी स्वयं को इस विषय के साथ संबद्ध करता हूँ।

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**Concern over slow implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Fasal
Bima Yojana in certain districts of Telangana**

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY (Andhra Pradesh): Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, this House has often discussed the tragedy of farmers' suicides. What we are going to speak about is the anatomy of such suicides and why this happens. The Government of India has said that they have launched the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana all over the country. This was released according to a time-table wherein, for Telangana, the dates have been for cotton 14th June, for Chilli 19th June and 31st July for kharif. Accordingly, the money should have reached the banks. The money is being released to the State Government. But only partially it is being released to the banks. As a result of which farmers in half of the districts in Telangana have not got any loan disbursement at all. Not only that, the kharif season has started one month ago. Everyone knows that we had delayed rains and subsequently, we got extra rains, as a result of which the farmers were unable to access any of these loans because 31st July date is over. The time has expired according to the time-table of the Government of India. No Utilisation Certificates have been collected by the Collector or the Agricultural Officers, so much so that the banks have not got Utilisation Certificates, they have not disbursed loans at all. Farmers are running from pillar to post to get loans. The State Level Bankers' Committee has decided that 29 lakh farmers should have got the money by now. Not even 30 per cent of the farmers have got any kind of relief. This target has not been met at all. The banks in Telangana State have not even started disbursement of loans in half of the districts.

Now, Sir, under these circumstances, through you, I am requesting the Government that they should extend the date of the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana. You can't go by your Central time-table for your administrative convenience. This has to reach the farmers. Otherwise, farmers are left with no money to purchase fertilizers or seeds and perform their farming duties. They have no access to any loans because they have already exhausted other loans. As a result of this, there is going to be a disaster Kharif Season in the Telangana State. Nearly five districts have not received even one paisa as of now.

The insurance companies have been very, very sluggish in this matter. The Government should pull up these companies; otherwise, blacklist them if they don't disburse loans on time, and farmers need relief. I want an assurance from the Government that the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana dates will be extended to facilitate farmers in getting loans.

SHRI ANANDA BHASKAR RAPOLU (Telangana): Sir, I associate myself with the issued raised by the hon. Member.

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SOME HON. MEMBERS: Sir, we also associate ourselves with what the hon. Member has mentioned.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Names of those Members who associate may be added.

† Transliteration in Urdu script.