

**Agricultural households in debt**

1962. SHRI K. T. S. TULSI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of agricultural households which were in debt during the financial year 2015-16, State-wise; and

(b) the percentage of such households which have more than 10 hectares of land and are in debt?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA): (a) As per the latest 'Situation Assessment Survey of Agricultural Households' conducted by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) during its 70th Round, for the reference period of the agricultural year July, 2012 to June, 2013, about 52 per cent of the agricultural households were estimated to be in debt. State-wise details are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) About 79 per cent of the estimated 3.71 lakh agricultural households with more than 10 hectares of land were under debt during the reference period of survey.

**Statement**

*Estimated number of Indebted Agricultural Households for each State/Group of UTs*

State/Group of UTs*	Estimated number of agricultural households (00)	Estimated number of indebted agricultural households (00)	Proportion of agricultural households with outstanding loan**
1	2	3	4
Andhra Pradesh	35968	33421	92.9
Arunachal Pradesh	1080	206	19.1
Assam	34230	5995	17.5
Bihar	70943	30156	42.5
Chhattisgarh	25608	9538	37.2
Gujarat	39305	16743	42.6
Haryana	15693	6645	42.3
Himachal Pradesh	8811	2457	27.9
Jammu and Kashmir	11283	3463	30.7

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Jharkhand	22336	6464	28.9
Karnataka	42421	32775	77.3
Kerala	14043	10908	77.7
Madhya Pradesh	59950	27414	45.7
Maharashtra	70970	40672	57.3
Manipur	1762	421	23.9
Meghalaya	3544	84	2.4
Mizoram	758	47	6.2
Nagaland	2621	65	2.5
Odisha	44935	25830	57.5
Punjab	14083	7499	53.2
Rajasthan	64835	40055	61.8
Sikkim	674	97	14.3
Tamil Nadu	32443	26780	82.5
Telangana	25389	22628	89.1
Tripura	2445	559	22.9
Uttarakhand	10608	5387	50.8
Uttar Pradesh	180486	79081	43.8
West Bengal	63624	32787	51.5
Group of UTs	718	267	37.2
All-India	902011	468481	51.9

*Source:* Key Indicators of Situation of Agricultural Households in India based on Situation Assessment Survey of Agricultural Households, NSS 70th round.

\* Figures in respect of States with negligible sample size are not presented. Due to the same reason, a single estimate is provided for Group of UTs.

\*\* Relates to all kinds of outstanding loan irrespective of the purpose for which taken.

### **Cultivation of Paddy**

1963. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of areas under cultivation of paddy in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;