

Implementation of PMFBY

4003. SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total budgetary allocation under crop insurance scheme during 2016-17;
- (b) the total number of farmers registered under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) during 2016-17;
- (c) the total number of farmers registered under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana during 2016-17 in the States of North Eastern Region; and
- (d) the total amount of premium paid to Government by farmers during 2016-17?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA): (a) Total Budget Estimates for crop insurance schemes during 2016-17 was ₹ 5501.15 crore which was subsequently revised to ₹ 13240.04 crore.

(b) to (d) As per tentative estimates 390 lakh farmers (including 0.62715 lakh farmers in North Eastern Region) and about 173 lakh farmers (including 0.2305 lakh farmers in North Eastern Region) during Kharif 2016 and Rabi 2016-17 seasons respectively have been registered/covered under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) and Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS) in the country. Further, as per available data approximately ₹ 4245 crore have been collected as farmers share in premium by insurance companies during 2016-17 under these schemes.

Decline in transaction in APMCs

4004. SHRI K. T. S. TULSI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any instances have been reported in the country in the last three months, where transactions in Agricultural Produce Market Committees have declined drastically and farmers have been hit by market prices falling below Minimum Support Price (MSP); and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA): (a) and (b) Usually, the transactions in mandi increase with the harvest of crop which gradually decline when the farmers have sold out their produce by and large. As per data reported on