

**Fish cage farming**

1477. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the fish cage farming is covered under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA): (a) to (c) No, Sir. Fish cage farming is not covered under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) as the scheme is meant for only field crops and annual commercial/horticultural crops only. However, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries has formulated Mission Cage Culture-2022 to install 25000 cages in the potential States namely, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh. Total 4745 cages have been approved in various States at a total cost of ₹ 13825 lakh involving Central Government share of ₹ 7036.70 lakh.

**Organic farming in Maharashtra**

1478. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared any road-map for promoting organic farming in Maharashtra and other parts of the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor and by when Government proposes to have such a road-map?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA): (a) and (b) Government has prepared the road map for promoting organic farming in country including Maharashtra under Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), a sub-scheme of National Mission of Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) through adoption of organic village by cluster approach and certification through Participatory Guarantee System (PGS)-India programme. Under the scheme, the farmers will form a cluster of 20 hectare land and will be provided ₹ 50,000 per hectare per farmer in cluster during the 3 years to develop 10,000 organic clusters of 20 hectare each so as to cover certified area by 2 lakh hectare during the 3 years. The detail of the scheme PKVY are given