

- (i) The demand for the organic produce is more and the supply is less. The producers are scattered throughout the country and there is no direct link between the end consumers and the producers.
- (ii) The production costs for organic foods are typically higher because of greater labour input and relatively lower economy of scale of produce.
- (iii) Post-harvest handling of relatively small quantities of organic foods results in higher costs because of the mandatory segregation of organic and conventional produce, especially for processing and transportation.

(c) and (d) Government of India is promoting organic farming under the schemes of Mission Organic Value Chain Development North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER) and Parampragat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), which are implemented through respective State Governments to promote organic produce in the country to reduce cost/prices in following ways:

- (i) Government is providing incentives under schemes of PKVY and MOVCDNER for infrastructure creation, packaging, branding, publicity, transportation, value addition, development of integrated value chain and organic fairs.
- (ii) Government is promoting the formation of Farmer Producers Companies Organisations/Clusters, thereby facilitating member farmers with remunerative prices for their organic produce due to better economy scale, better value addition and better access to market for their organic produce.

Availability of farm machinery and credit to farmers

1136. DR. L. HANUMANTHAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the farm machinery and agriculture credit sector have still not evolved to reach all across the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has taken note that there is a need to facilitate the farmers with farm machinery at low cost to increase production;

(c) if so, whether Government is taking any measure to evolve a mechanism to help farmers by providing adequate farm machinery and credit to Agriculture sector; and

(d) if so, the response of Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT): (a) Agricultural credit facility is available all across the country. The total agricultural credit disbursed during 2015-16 and 2016-17 is ₹ 9,15,50,991.50 lakh and ₹ 10,65,75,567.01 lakh respectively in the entire country. The details of State/UT-wise agriculture credit disbursed are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) to (d) For promotion of agricultural mechanization in the country, a Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) scheme is being implemented through State Governments w.e.f. 2014-15 with the following objectives.

- (i) Increasing the reach of farm mechanization to small and marginal farmers and to the regions where availability of farm power is low;
- (ii) Promoting 'Custom Hiring Centres' to offset the adverse economies of scale arising due to small landholding and high cost of individual ownership;
- (iii) Creating hubs for hi-tech and high value farm equipments;
- (iv) Creating awareness among stakeholders through demonstration and capacity building activities;
- (v) Ensuring performance testing and certification at designated testing centres located all over the country.

Under SMAM subsidy to the tune of 25 to 50% for procurement of agricultural machinery is being provided.

In order to ensure that all eligible farmers are provided with hassle-free and timely credit for their agricultural operations, the Government has introduced the Kisan Credit Card (KCC) Scheme, which enables them to purchase agricultural inputs such as seeds, fertilizers, pesticides, agricultural machinery etc. and draw cash to satisfy their consumption needs.

Statement

Agriculture Credit Disbursement Data

Sl. No.	State/UT	Total Agri. Credit		
		Crop Loan	Term Loan	Total Loan
1	2	3	4	5
2015-16				
1.	Delhi	2,71,922.31	2,83,052.16	5,54,974.47
2.	Haryana	39,17,377.26	10,61,671.74	49,79,049.00

1	2	3	4	5
3.	Himachal Pradesh	3,87,668.68	1,24,524.85	5,12,193.53
4.	Jammu and Kashmir	1,57,237.76	1,18,908.40	2,76,146.16
5.	Punjab	71,82,928.23	12,82,360.33	84,65,288.56
6.	Rajasthan	56,90,268.77	10,72,457.45	67,62,726.22
7.	Chandigarh UT	10,865.00	1,30,671.00	1,41,536.00
TOTAL (NORTHERN REGION)		1,76,18,268.01	40,73,645.93	2,16,91,913.94
8.	Arunachal Pradesh	1,636.02	2,646.16	4,282.18
9.	Assam	1,01,425.92	2,89,121.61	3,90,547.53
10.	Manipur	3,890.93	11,976.25	15,867.18
11.	Meghalaya	9,428.97	6,198.17	15,627.14
12.	Mizoram	4,241.40	5,671.44	9,912.84
13.	Nagaland	6,335.95	5,480.70	11,816.65
14.	Sikkim	4,444.66	2,716.70	7,161.36
15.	Tripura	24,615.07	1,03,439.69	1,28,054.76
TOTAL (NORTH EASTERN REGION)		1,56,018.92	4,27,250.72	5,83,269.64
16.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	1,195.37	9,989.01	11,184.38
17.	Bihar	22,69,819.70	17,84,411.30	40,54,231.00
18.	Jharkhand	1,58,594.43	2,07,589.38	3,66,183.81
19.	Odisha	16,09,065.74	4,19,204.30	20,28,270.04
20.	West Bengal	29,24,112.94	9,83,345.50	39,07,458.44
TOTAL (EASTERN REGION)		69,62,788.18	34,04,539.49	1,03,67,327.67
21.	Chhattisgarh	5,64,177.15	2,03,248.96	7,67,426.11
22.	Madhya Pradesh	46,32,418.40	5,77,981.95	52,10,400.35
23.	Uttarakhand	2,80,101.64	3,06,836.13	5,86,937.77
24.	Uttar Pradesh	70,62,820.38	17,01,346.63	87,64,167.01
TOTAL (CENTRAL REGION)		1,25,39,517.57	27,89,413.67	1,53,28,931.24
25.	Goa	35,283.35	21,428.11	56,711.46
26.	Gujarat	34,21,495.75	10,34,824.64	44,56,320.39
27.	Maharashtra	40,61,051.58	22,16,628.20	62,77,679.78

1	2	3	4	5
28.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli UT	348.47	1,678.38	2,026.85
29.	Daman and Diu UT	3.03	641.64	644.67
	TOTAL (WESTERN REGION)	75,18,182.18	32,75,200.97	1,07,93,383.15
30.	Andhra Pradesh	56,47,351.79	17,66,242.41	74,13,594.20
31.	Telangana	22,58,102.18	10,74,465.85	33,32,568.03
32.	Karnataka	30,13,009.17	54,70,239.18	84,83,248.35
33.	Kerala	36,08,242.68	7,30,994.38	43,39,237.06
34.	Puducherry	1,02,922.64	5,233.20	1,08,155.84
35.	Tamil Nadu	71,06,870.62	20,02,491.76	91,09,362.38
36.	Lakshadweep UT	-	-	-
	TOTAL (SOUTHERN REGION)	2,17,36,499.08	1,10,49,666.78	3,27,86,165.86
	GRAND TOTAL	6,65,31,273.94	2,50,19,717.56	9,15,50,991.50
2016-17				
1.	Delhi	8,37,769.83	11,56,395.14	19,94,164.97
2.	Haryana	36,27,486.50	13,20,620.63	49,48,107.13
3.	Himachal Pradesh	4,41,953.30	1,69,661.26	6,11,614.56
4.	Jammu and Kashmir	6,70,230.34	59,443.72	7,29,674.06
5.	Punjab	58,03,430.42	16,26,716.41	74,30,146.82
6.	Rajasthan	57,87,553.14	16,42,832.47	74,30,385.60
7.	Chandigarh UT	75,278.84	65,315.76	1,40,594.60
	TOTAL (NORTHERN REGION)	1,72,43,702.36	60,40,985.39	2,32,84,687.75
8.	Arunachal Pradesh	2,777.29	10,481.37	13,258.66
9.	Assam	1,56,819.66	4,53,387.75	6,10,207.41
10.	Manipur	5,899.36	19,212.82	25,112.17
11.	Meghalaya	28,170.23	8,660.83	36,831.05
12.	Mizoram	3,035.56	8,400.07	11,435.63
13.	Nagaland	7,290.05	5,649.16	12,939.21
14.	Sikkim	10,797.21	5,372.44	16,169.65
15.	Tripura	33,507.78	1,17,804.75	1,51,312.53
	TOTAL (NORTH EASTERN REGION)	2,48,297.13	6,28,969.19	8,77,266.32

1	2	3	4	5
16.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	3,596.87	9,901.33	13,498.20
17.	Bihar	14,21,862.40	11,96,595.97	26,18,458.38
18.	Jharkhand	2,82,139.80	1,55,859.39	4,37,999.18
19.	Odisha	15,81,164.22	5,45,332.24	21,26,496.46
20.	West Bengal	12,94,390.77	21,95,181.55	34,89,572.32
TOTAL (EASTERN REGION)		45,83,154.06	41,02,870.49	86,86,024.55
21.	Chhattisgarh	9,36,350.26	2,87,391.88	12,23,742.13
22.	Madhya Pradesh	42,90,984.78	13,23,921.63	56,14,906.41
23.	Uttarakhand	3,67,117.61	2,83,425.81	6,50,543.42
24.	Uttar Pradesh	59,59,266.02	21,99,135.39	81,58,401.41
TOTAL (CENTRAL REGION)		1,15,53,718.67	40,93,874.71	1,56,47,593.37
25.	Goa	21,884.90	79,242.76	1,01,127.66
26.	Gujarat	33,86,445.60	20,41,224.15	54,27,669.75
27.	Maharashtra	41,33,883.12	40,04,500.51	81,38,383.63
28.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli UT	2,713.05	5,304.05	8,017.10
29.	Daman and Diu UT	1,278.98	2,179.35	3,458.32
TOTAL (WESTERN REGION)		75,46,205.65	61,32,450.82	1,36,78,656.47
30.	Andhra Pradesh	61,39,148.29	31,47,713.85	92,86,862.14
31.	Telangana	47,28,922.01	20,59,613.42	67,88,535.43
32.	Karnataka	41,67,717.58	36,40,554.54	78,08,272.12
33.	Kerala	44,41,564.73	23,32,311.72	67,73,876.45
34.	Puducherry	3,33,856.30	1,95,152.12	5,29,008.42
35.	Tamil Nadu	79,59,389.93	52,55,066.75	1,32,14,456.68
36.	Lakshadweep UT	54.93	272.37	327.30
TOTAL (SOUTHERN REGION)		2,77,70,653.77	1,66,30,684.77	4,44,01,338.54
GRAND TOTAL		6,89,45,731.64	3,76,29,835.36	10,65,75,567.01