

Selling of agricultural products to Government

660. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any increase in the percentage of agricultural households across the country who are actually able to sell their produce to Government; and
- (b) if so, the details about the percentage of such agricultural households in the last five years, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR): (a) and (b) No such information is maintained by the Government.

Share of small and marginal farmers in the average yearly income from cultivation

661. SHRI K. K. RAGESH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the farm income of small and marginal farmers, is decreasing;
- (b) if so, the details about average yearly income from cultivation of small and marginal farmers, who hold less than 3 hectares of land, during the last five years, State-wise and year-wise; and
- (c) the share of small and marginal farmers in the total national income of the last five years from farming?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR): (a) to (c) The average income of agricultural households from various sources is estimated by National Statistical Office (NSO) through the 'Situation Assessment Survey of Agricultural Households' conducted from time to time. As per the results of latest such Survey conducted during NSS 70th round (January 2013 - December, 2013), the average monthly net receipt from cultivation (value of output - input and other expenditure) per agricultural household form different size classes of land possessed, including small and marginal households (with less than 2 hectares of land) is given in the table below:

Size class of land possessed (hectares)	Net receipt from cultivation (₹)
<0.01	30
0.01-0.40	687
0.41-1.00	2145
1.01-4.00	7359
4.01-10.00	15243
10.00+	35685
All sizes	3081

Source: NSS Report No. 569: Some Characteristics of Agricultural Households in India, 2012-13.

Since the last Survey on income of agricultural households was conducted in 2013, the extent of increase/decrease in income and the share of small and marginal farmers in the total national income from farming for the last five years are not known.

Drought management

662. SHRI SANJAY SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the regions affected by drought during the last three years;
- (b) the steps taken for drought management; and
- (c) the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR): (a) The States for which financial assistance from National Disaster Response Fund has been approved, on account of their being affected by drought, during the last three years i.e. 2016-17 to 2018-19, is as under:

During 2016-17:

Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan and Puducherry (5 States and 1 UT).

During 2017-18:

Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh (5 States).