

Implementation of schemes for farmers

1465. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken by Government to boost the conditions of the farmer community in the country by implementing various schemes particularly for tackling the COVID-19 situation;

(b) the details of the schemes implemented/ likely to be implemented; and

(c) the number of farmers in the country who benefited from these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR): (a) to (c) Government of India has launched the Aatmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan (ABA) to strengthen Infrastructure, Logistics, Capacity Building, Governance and Administrative Reforms for Agriculture. The components of the ABA for DAC&FW are as follows :-

- Central Sector Scheme of financing facility under Agri Infrastructure Fund. This scheme is operational from the year 2020-21 to 2029-30. The aim is creation of infrastructure at the farm gate. The details state wise are given in Statement-I (See below).
- The National Bee and Honey Mission (NBHM) - ₹500 crore from 2020-2021 to 2022-2023 is allocated for the sector.
- "The Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill 2020. This will allow liberal trade, provide more options to farmer for sale of their farming produce, promote barrier free inter-state and intra-State trade.
- The Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020. The main objectives of the Bill are - risk mitigation for farmers, equity or inclusiveness, public accountability and innovation.

Both the above mentioned Bills have been passed in Parliament.

- Concessional credit boost to 2.5 crore farmers through Kisan Credit Card. Following are details of card issued as part of the KCC saturation drive from February 2020 to 11.09.2020:

Number of KCC Cards Issued (in lakh): 129.21

KCC Card credit limit sanctioned (Amt. in Crore): 1,12,103

Total Number of Applications Received (in lakh): 163.88

Kisan Rails were operated from Danapur in Bihar to Devlali in Maharashtra and from Anantapur in Andhra Pradesh to Adarsh Nagar in Delhi to transport farm produce.

Another important measure to assist the farmers is the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN). As on 18.09.2020, around 10.21 crore farmer families have benefited under the scheme. During the period of lock down, an amount of around ₹41,086 crores has been disbursed to various beneficiaries under the Scheme covering various installments. The details of number of beneficiaries are given in Statement-II.

Statement-I

Summary of projects sanctioned by NABARD under Agriculture Infrastructure Fund Scheme as on 4th September, 2020

Sl. No.	State/UT	No. of Projects	Project Cost (in ₹ Lakh)	Loan (in ₹ Lakh)
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	3	45	34
2.	Andhra Pradesh	347	34457	31011
3.	Assam	7	296	267
4.	Bihar	40	7875	7088
5.	Chhattisgarh	123	2214	1968
6.	Gujarat	151	6202	5566
7.	Haryana	95	3262	2634
8.	Himachal Pradesh	20	676	608
9.	Karnataka	163	8394	6660
10.	Kerala	70	16076	14345
11.	Madhya Pradesh	351	12600	12474
12.	Maharashtra	309	7959	7163

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13.	Nagaland	10	147	140
14.	Odisha	103	2813	2546
15.	Punjab	60	823	719
16.	Rajasthan	258	5398	4858
17.	Tamil Nadu	201	33500	31000
18.	Telangana	207	22287	17830
19.	Uttar Pradesh	244	4610	4149
20.	Uttarakhand	102	1850	1354
21.	West Bengal	200	4598	4086
GRAND TOTAL		3064	176082	156500

*Statement-II**Status of PM-KISAN (from inception till 18.9.2020)*

State	No. of beneficiaries covered
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	16,771
Andhra Pradesh	5,251,056
Bihar	7,389,216
Chandigarh	424
Chhattisgarh	2,683,711
Dadra and Nagar Haveli	10,715
Daman and Diu	3,692
Delhi	14,161
Goa	9,404
Gujarat	5,677,780
Haryana	1,769,811
Himachal Pradesh	920,547

State	No. of beneficiaries covered
Jammu and Kashmir	1,098,293
Jharkhand	1,811,616
Karnataka	5,268,327
Kerala	3,348,225
Ladakh	39
Lakshadweep	1,792
Madhya Pradesh	7,704,391
Maharashtra	10,331,714
Odisha	3,670,638
Puducherry	10,784
Punjab	2,328,538
Rajasthan	6,460,898
Tamil Nadu	4,551,016
Telangana	3,721,929
Uttar Pradesh	23,263,025
Uttarakhand	844,643
West Bengal	-
Arunachal Pradesh	91,590
Assam	2,718,602
Manipur	461,135
Meghalaya	164,114
Mizoram	129,728
Nagaland	201,978
Sikkim	6,201
Tripura	217,470
TOTAL	102,153,974