GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2270

TO BE ANSWERED ON 17/12/2021

SCHEMES TO IMPROVE AGRICULTURE IN TAMIL NADU

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to State?

- (a) the scheme of the Central Government to reform agriculture in the country, particularly in Tamil Nadu:
- (b) the area of cultivable land for which irrigation facility is available in Tamil Nadu and the scheme to improve irrigation facility;
- (c) the scheme aimed at providing high quality seeds and fertilizers to farmers on time; and
- (d) the scheme of the Central Government to improve the pathetic condition of farmers in Tamil Nadu along with the time limit fixed for the purpose?

ANSWER

Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a)&(d) The Schemes being implemented by Government of India to increase production and productivity in agriculture throughout the country and to improve the condition of farmers, including in Tamil Nadu are at **Annexure I.** The commitment of the government to the farm sector can be seen from the fact that in the year 2013-14, the budget allocation for Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare was only Rs. 21933.50 crore. This has been increased by more than 5.5 times to Rs. 1,23,017.57 **crore** in 2021-22.
- (b) The area of cultivable land for which irrigation facility is available in Tamil Nadu is as under:-

Details of Total Cropped area, Gross irrigated area and Percentage of Gross Irrigated Area over Total Cropped Area in the State of Tamil Nadu

(In Thousand Hectares)

Year	Gross Irrigated Area	Total Cropped Area	Percentage of Gross Irrigated Area over Total Cropped Area
2018-19	3183	5672	56.12

The Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana(PMKSY) is being implemented to improve irrigation facilities in the country including in Tamil Nadu. The components of the scheme are Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) and Command Area Development & Water Management (CAD&WM), Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP)-Surface Minor Irrigation (SMI), Repair, Rejuvenation and Restoration (RRR) of Water Bodies (WBs) and Ground Water, Per Drop More Crop (PDMC) and Micro Irrigation Fund (MIF) and Watershed Development (WD).

(c) The DA&FW is implementing the Sub-Mission on Seeds & Planting Materials (SMSP) from the year 2014-15 to promote production and multiplication of quality seeds of agricultural crops, so that the required quantities of seeds could be made available to farmers in the country. The two schemes for providing fertilizers in the country are (i) Urea subsidy scheme, and (ii) Nutrient based scheme. Close monitoring of movement and availability of all fertilizers coordination with State Governments/Fertilizer through real time companies/Railways etc. is ensured. DAP is mostly imported and there has been an increase in international prices of DAP since the latter half of 2020. However, the Government has decided for a huge increase of subsidy which is 223% as compared to last year i.e. 2020-21, in order to offset the impact of increase in international prices for farmers so that they can get DAP at the same price of Rs. 1200/ per bag.

ANNEXURE

BENEFICIARY ORIENTED SCHEMES BEING IMPLEMENTED BY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AND FARMERS WELFARE.

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme
1.	Interest Subvention Scheme
2.	Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana
3.	Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana – Per Drop More Crop
4.	Pradhan Mantri Kisan Saman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)
5.	Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana
6.	Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture
7.	National BeeKeeping Honey Mission (NBHM)
8.	National Project on Soil Health & Fertility
9.	Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana
10.	National Project on Agro-Forestry
11.	National Bamboo Mission
12.	Sub-Mission on Agriculture Extension
13.	Sub-Mission Seeds & Planting Material
14.	Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization
15.	Integrated Scheme on Agricultural Marketing
16.	National Food Security Mission-Oilseeds &Oil Palm
17.	National Food Security Mission- Other Crops
18.	Rainfed Area Development
