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DIGITISATION IN AGRICULTURE

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Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare be pleased to state:

- a) whether Government is making a digitisation in agriculture policy, if so, whether farmers' representatives and groups have been involved in the process, if not, the reasons therefor;
- b) the status of the Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) signed by the Ministry of Agriculture with various companies regarding digitisation in agriculture;
- c) Whether Government plans to release any report regarding the performance of the projects undertaken during the MoUs; and
- d) the findings of the monitoring and review framework put in place for the MoUs as acknowledged by the Ministry?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a) The Department has commenced the work for creating Agristack in the country. In order to create Agristack, the department has finalized the core concept of “India Digital Ecosystem of Agriculture (IDEA)” which lays down a framework for Agristack. For this, a Task Force was constituted and in furtherance, a concept paper on IDEA was prepared and comments were invited from subject experts, farmers, Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) and general public.
- (b) Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) for Proof of Concepts (PoCs) with various companies for development of use cases have been signed and accordingly carried out.
- (c) & (d): The outcomes are adopted in the development of Agristack.
