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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 829
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09/02/2024

WOMEN BENEFICIARIES UNDER PM-KISAN

829. SMT. GEETA ALIAS CHANDRAPRABHA:

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

- (a) the total number of farmers currently availing the benefits of Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) in the country;
- (b) the total number of women farmers out of the beneficiary farmers;
- (c) States where the number of women farmers availing the benefits of PM-KISAN is highest; and
- (d) the details thereof including five major States?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

(a) & (b): The PM-KISAN scheme is a central sector scheme launched in February 2019 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister to supplement the financial needs of land-holding farmers. Under this scheme, the financial benefit of Rs 6,000/- per year in three equal installments every four months is transferred into the bank accounts of farmers' families across the country through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode. The PM-KISAN scheme is one of the largest DBT Schemes of the World.

A farmer-centric digital infrastructure has ensured the benefits of the scheme reach all the farmers across the country without any involvement of the intermediaries. Maintaining absolute transparency in registering and verifying beneficiaries, as on date, there are more than 8.70 Cr. eligible farmers in the PM-Kisan Scheme, out of which 1.99 Cr. are women beneficiaries.

(c) & (d): Five major States where the number of women beneficiaries is highest are as follows:

#	State Name	No. of Women Beneficiaries
1.	UTTAR PRADESH	32,12,836
2.	BIHAR	23,13,551
3.	RAJASTHAN	17,10,833
4.	MAHARASHTRA	16,37,296
5.	MADHYA PRADESH	15,42,845