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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 429
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5th DECEMBER, 2023

15th INSTALMENT OF PM-KISAN SCHEME

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Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the 15th instalment of the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-Kisan) scheme has been released recently and if so, the details thereof, and the total amount released to the State of Tamil Nadu and total number of farmers benefited under this scheme as on date;
- (b) whether there was a delay in the release of the 15th instalment of the PM-Kisan scheme to the beneficiaries and if so, the details and the reasons for the delay;
- (c) whether there has been a decline in the annual disbursement of funds to beneficiaries under the said scheme and if so, the details and the reasons for the decline;
- (d) the number of beneficiaries of PM-Kisan since its inception till 2023; and
- (e) whether the Government plan to increase the amount of Rs. 6000/- under the PM-Kisan scheme to benefit the farmers and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a) The PM-KISAN scheme is a central sector scheme launched in February 2019 to supplement the financial needs of land-holding farmers. Under this scheme, the financial

benefit of Rs 6,000/- per year in three equal instalments every four months is transferred into the bank accounts of farmers' families across the country through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode. A farmer-centric digital infrastructure has ensured the benefits of the scheme reach all the farmers across the country without any involvement of the middlemen. Maintaining absolute transparency in registering and verifying beneficiaries, the Government of India has disbursed over Rs 2.80 lakh Cr to more than 11 Cr farmers. In the Tamil Nadu State, over Rs. 9,945.69 Cr has been transferred to more than 45.83 lakh farmers since inception of the scheme.

(b) There was no delay in the release of 15th instalment under PM-KISAN. The 15th instalment pertaining to the period August – November 2023, was released on 15/11/2023.

(c) The annual disbursement of funds to beneficiaries under the PM-KISAN scheme since inception is as under:

Period	Benefits released (in Rs. Cr.)
FY 2018-19	6,323
FY 2019-20	48,739
FY 2020-21	61,931
FY 2021-22	67,121
FY 2022-23	58,258
FY 2023-24 (as on 22/11/2023)	38,660

There was slight decline in the FY 2022-23. The reason was the introduction of mandatory land seeding provision for the farmers and seeding of Aadhaar with their active bank account to ensure that the benefits are transferred directly to the intended beneficiaries' accounts smoothly.

(d) Since inception of the PM-KISAN Scheme, more than 11 crore farmers' families have received benefits of the Scheme.

(e) There is no such proposal under consideration.
