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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-631
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6th FEBRUARY, 2024

TARGET OF DOUBLING THE INCOME OF FARMERS

631. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set a target of doubling the income of every farmer by the year 2024;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the present status in this regard;

(c) whether the Government has prepared any detailed action plan for the said purpose to promote dairy and animal husbandry in farmers;

(d) if so, the steps being taken in this regard and the progress made so far in achieving the said target along with the details thereof; and

(e) the amount of funds allocated by the Government for the current financial year 2023-24 and proposed to be allocated in the coming financial year 2024-25 under the said scheme along with the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

(a)& (b): Government had constituted an Inter-Ministerial Committee in April, 2016 to examine issues relating to “Doubling of Farmers Income (DFI)” and recommend strategies to achieve the same. The Committee submitted its final report to the Government in September, 2018 containing the recommendations for doubling of farmers’ income through various policies, reforms & programmes. To achieve the objective, the Committee identified following seven sources of income growth: -

- i. Increase in crop productivity
- ii. Increase in livestock productivity

- iii. Resource use efficiency – reduction in cost of production
- iv. Increase in cropping intensity
- v. Diversification to high value agriculture
- vi. Remunerative prices on farmers' produce
- vii. Shift of surplus manpower from farm to non-farm occupations

The Government has substantially enhanced the budget allocation of Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare from Rs. 27,662.67 crore BE during 2013-14 to Rs. 1,25,035.79 crore BE during 2023-24.

Enhanced budgetary provisions have been made to facilitate the below mentioned efforts of the Government. The various schemes/ programmes of the Government of India are meant for the welfare of farmers by increasing production, remunerative returns and income support to farmers, which include:

1. Income support to farmers through PM KISAN
2. Pradhan Mantri Fasal BimaYojana (PMFBY)
3. Institutional credit for agriculture sector
4. Fixing of Minimum Support Price (MSP) at one-and-a half times the cost of production
5. Promotion of organic farming in the country
6. Per Drop More Crop
7. Micro Irrigation Fund
8. Promotion of Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs)
9. National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)
10. Agricultural Mechanization
11. Namo Drone Didi
12. Providing Soil Health Cards to farmers
13. Setting up of National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) extension Platform
14. Launch of the National Mission for Edible Oils – Oil Palm (NMEO-OP)
15. Agri Infrastructure Fund (AIF)
16. Improvement in farm produce logistics, Introduction of Kisan Rail.
17. Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) - Cluster Development Programme:
18. Creation of a Start-up Eco system in agriculture and allied sector
19. Achievement in Export of Agri and Allied Agri- Commodities

Implementation of these schemes has yielded remarkable results towards augmenting the income of the farmers. As part of the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav', Indian

Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has released a book, which contains compilation of success stories of 75,000 farmers out of innumerable successful farmers who have increased their income more than two times.

(c) to (e): Following Schemes are being run by Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying to promote dairy and animal husbandry for farmers with the objective to increase the income of farmers:

- i) Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme
- ii) Infrastructure Development Funds
- iii) Dairying Through Cooperatives (EAP)
- iv) Dairy Development
- v) Rashtriya Gokul Mission
- vi) livestock Census & ISS
- vii) National Livestock Mission

The amount of funds allocated by the Government for the above schemes for the current financial year 2023-24 is Rs. 4095.64 Crores and funds proposed to be allocated in the coming financial year 2024-25 is Rs. 4210 Crores
