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AGRICULTURE SECTOR IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to formulate concrete schemes for Bihar to encourage agriculture sector during the Tenth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the expenditure likely to be incurred during the above period, year-wise; and
- (c) the estimated increase in production in the State as a result thereof, Year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (c): There are a number of ongoing centrally sponsored schemes such as Macro Management of Agriculture Scheme, On Farm Water Management, Scheme of production of oil seeds and pulses etc. which are being implemented in the State of Bihar for development of Agriculture during Xth Plan. The target for food grain production for 2002-03 for the state of Bihar has been kept at 133.00 lakh metric tonnes. During Xth Plan the target is 736.00 lakh metric tonnes with an average production of 147.20 lakh metric tonnes every year. Under Macro Management of Agriculture Scheme the States have got flexibility to select schemes of their choice.

Under the Macro Management Scheme a sum of Rs.25 crore and a sum of Rs.41.40 crore under On-Farm Water Management Scheme have been allocated for Bihar for the year 2002-03. Under the TMOP Scheme a sum of Rs.0.46 lakh has been allocated for the first 6 months of the current year 2002-03. For the remaining period of Xth Plan funds will be allocated on the basis of yearly allocation to be made to the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation by the Planning Commission.