

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:19
ANSWERED ON:21.07.2003
REDUCTION IN CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES IN TENTH PLAN
SHRINWAS DADASAHEB PATIL

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes in the Department of Agriculture have been reduced significantly in the Tenth Five Year Plan as compared to the Ninth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) its likely impact on the marginalized small land holders who were the highest beneficiaries of these schemes and also the weaker section of the society; and
- (d) the details of the schemes brought down in the Department of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Agriculture Research separately?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAJNATH SINGH)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.19 DUE FOR REPLY ON 21ST JULY, 2003.

(a) to (c): The details of centrally sponsored schemes implemented in the terminal year of the Ninth Plan and proposed to be implemented in the Tenth Five Year Plan are as follows:

S.No.	Schemes implemented in the terminal year of Ninth Plan	Schemes proposed to be implemented in the Tenth Five Year Plan
1	Technology Mission on Cotton	Technology Mission on Cotton
2	On Farm Water Management	On Farm Water Management
3	Oilseed Production Programme (OPP)	Integrated Scheme of Oilseed, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPAM)
4	National Pulses Development Project (NPDP)	
5	Oil Palm Development Programme (OPDP)	
6	Accelerated Maize Development Programme (AMDP)	
7	Technology Mission on Horticulture Development in North-Eastern States including Sikkim.	Technology Mission on Horticulture Development in North-Eastern States including Sikkim, Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttranchal.
8	Agriculture Census	Agriculture Census
9	Macro Management in Agriculture	Macro Management in Agriculture
10	Improvement of Crop Statistics	Improvement of Agricultural Statistics
11	Timely Reporting Scheme	
12	Establishment of Agency for Reporting of Agricultural Statistics	
13	Crop Estimation Survey on fruits and vegetables and minor crops	
14	Assistance for Cooperative, Marketing, processing	These Schemes have been proposed to be merged in the under-developed/least developed States. alongwith other Schemes into a single Central Sector Scheme `Assistance to National Cooperative Development Corporations (NCDC) Programme`

- 15 Share Capital participation in growers cooperative spinning mills.
16 Share capital participation in growers cooperative sugar mills.

The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation had undertaken Zero Based Budgeting Exercise which resulted in reduction of sixteen Centrally Sponsored Schemes into seven Centrally Sponsored Schemes and one Central Sector Scheme. The reduction in number of Schemes is simply due to the merger of Schemes while no Centrally Sponsored Scheme has been dropped/discontinued.

The merger of Schemes will provide flexibility to the State Governments in operationalisation and optimum utilization of central assistance. It will have a positive impact on all category farmers including small and marginal farmers.

(d): The details of Schemes brought down in the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Animal Husbandry and Dairying and Agriculture Research are as follows:-

S.No.	Name of the Department	Name of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes discontinued in Tenth Plan
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1	Department of Agriculture and Cooperation	Nil
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2	Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying	1. National Ram/Buck Production Programme for Rabbit Development 2. Assistance to States for Integrated Piggery Development 3. Preservation & Development of Pack Animals 4. Development of Marine Fisheries 5. Integrated Coastal Aquaculture
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3	Department of Agriculture Research and Education	This department does not implement any centrally sponsored scheme.
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