

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL INSURANCE SCHEME
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS);
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the coverage of NAIS during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;
- (c) if so, the crops proposed to be covered therein; and
- (d) the number of farmers benefited and proposed to be benefited under NAIS during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

- (a): Main features of National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) is at Annexure-I.
 - (b) & (c): Yes, Sir. The Working Group on Risk Management in Agriculture for XI Five Year Plan have recommended for coverage of group of crops pertaining to vegetables and perennial horticultural/fruit crops under separate insurance schemes.
 - (d): Details of number of farmers benefited under the scheme during last three years (i.e. 2005-06 to 2007-08) is at Annexure-II.
- The number of farmers proposed to be benefited in the current year (i.e. 2008-09) can not be made available during the year as claims settlement is made at the end of crop season (i.e. after March, 2009) on the basis of current yield data for the insured crops.