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COVERAGE UNDER NFSM
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various activities under the National Food Security Mission in the country,State-wise including-Jharkhand;

(b) the details of districts covered under NFSM, State-wise;

(c) whether some States including Odisha and Goa has requested to include more districts under NFSM;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a): The activities covered under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) include Demonstrations on Crop Production Technologies; Production and Distribution of seeds; Farm Mechanization; Integrated Pest Management (IPM); Integrated Nutrient Management (INM); water saving device like Sprinklers, Distribution of Pumpsets etc. Imparting knowledge regarding the best agricultural practices through Farmers Field Schools (FFS) is also an integral part of the Mission. These activities are common for all the States covered under NFSM including Jharkhand.

(b): Presently, the National Food Security Mission (NFSM) is being implemented in overall 480 districts of 18 States in the country. Out of these, 142 districts are covered each under NFSM-Rice & NFSM-Wheat and 468 districts under NFSM-Pulses. The State-wise and component-wise number of districts covered under NFSM is given in Annexure.

(c) to (e): The districts under NFSM has been included on the basis of certain criteria. This Ministry received requests from some states including Odisha either to include new districts under NFSM or replace the existing district with new one. Those districts that fulfilled the criteria were included. No such request has been received from Goa as the State is not covered under NFSM.