

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1252
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EDUCATION IN AGRICULTURE AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY SECTOR
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether steps are being taken for giving priority to education in agriculture and animal husbandry sector so that farmers could increase their livestock;
- (b) the number of farmers benefited by agricultural education during the last two years and the current year, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps likely to be taken by the Government to make agricultural education compulsory?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Number of farmers benefited through the training programmes:

Year Number of Farmers

2009-10 12.33 lakhs

2010-11 12.60 lakhs

2011-12 09.25 lakhs

(upto
October,
2011)

The state-wise details of the farmers benefitted during the last two years and till date for the current year is given at the Annexure.

(c) The Agricultural Education being a State subject falls under the purview of the concerned State Governments to take appropriate steps in this direction.