

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1333
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PADDY CULTIVATION IN CYCLONE PRONE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it has been brought to the notice of the Government that some farmers from Andhra Pradesh have successfully cultivated paddy in cyclone prone areas through drip irrigation at the recently held Innovative Rice Farmers meet organised by the Directorate of Rice Research;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to promote the said method in other cyclone prone areas of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the follow-up action taken thereon?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Use of Drip irrigation in rice integrated with System of Rice Intensification (SRI) was presented by one of the innovative farmers from low rainfall Cuddapah district of Andhra Pradesh in the recently held Innovative Rice Farmers Meet organized by Directorate of Rice Research Development (DRD).
- (c) & (d): Drip Irrigation is a water conservation technology that requires less water for irrigation. Drip irrigation is being promoted through National Mission on Micro Irrigation. This method is more suitable in low rainfall areas.