

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6
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COVERAGE UNDER NFSM
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of districts covered under the National Food Security Mission (NFSM) in the country including Chhattisgarh;
- (b) whether some States of the country including Chhattisgarh have sent proposals/requested to cover some more districts under the Mission;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is considering to cover more districts proposed by the States under these schemes; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): Under National Food Security Mission (NFSM), 482 identified districts of 19 States including Chhattisgarh in the Country are covered. NFSM-Rice is implemented in 144 districts of 16 States, NFSM-Wheat in 142 districts of 9 states and NFSM-Pulses in 468 districts of 16 states. In Chhattisgarh State, 10 districts are covered under NFSM-Rice and all the 18 districts under NFSM-Pulses.

(b) & (c): The districts under NFSM have been included on the basis of certain criteria. The Ministry had received requests from some States including Gujarat, Odisha and Uttar Pradesh for inclusion of new districts/replacement of existing districts. The districts that fulfilled the criteria were included under the programme.

(d) & (e): Presently, National Food Security Mission (NFSM) is implemented in overall 482 districts of 19 States in the country. There is no proposal to cover more districts under NFSM during the current five year plan.