GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:202 ANSWERED ON:13.03.2012 PULSES VILLAGES Tandon Annu

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing the Integrated Development of 60,000 Pulses Villages in rainfed areas under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY);
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the funds earmarked and released to the States for the purpose so far, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to integrate this programme with nutritional security; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. In order to increase the production and productivity of pulses in the country, Government of India had provided an amount of Rs.300.00 crores in union budget 2011-12 for establishing 60,000 pulse villages in the country. Accordingly, a programme of Integrated Development of 60,000 Pulses Villages in Rainfed Areas is being implemented in 11 major pulses growing States Viz. A.P, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Karnataka, M.P, Maharashtra, Orissa, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu & Uttar Pradesh. Under this programme, support for in situ moisture conservation, accelerated pulses production programme with inclusion of minikits and pests surveillance and market linked extension support to Small Farmers Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC) for framework of organising farmers Organizations(FPOs) & extending end to end support to ensure better economic return to the farmers is provided. Out of 300.00 crores allocated during 2011-12, an amount of Rs.291.39 crores has been released to the state for implementation of the programme till 03.03.2012. The details of state-wise allocation and release of funds is as under:

S. No. Name of state Allocation Released as on 03.3.2012

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1 Andhra Pradesh 25.10 25.10
2 Bihar 10.18 10.18
3 Chhattisgarh 11.22 5.61
4 Gujarat 14.40 14.40
5 Karnataka 30.86 30.86
6 Madhya Pradesh 55.48 55.48
7 Maharashtra 50.96 50.96
8 Orissa 9.90 9.90
9 Rajasthan 43.22 43.22
10 Tamil Nadu 7.32 7.32
11 Uttar Pradesh 38.36 38.36
12 National Level 3.00 0.16
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Total 300.00 291.39

The programme supplements the activities under the pulses component of the on-going National Food Security Mission for augmenting supplies of pulses for food and nutritional security of the country.