

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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EQUIPMENT FOR FARMERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to provide modern agricultural equipment to farmers in addition to tractors to resolve the issue of shortage of workers/ labourers in the agriculture sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. To help resolve the issue of shortage of farm labourers, Ministry of Agriculture is currently providing financial assistance to farmers for procurement of various modern agricultural equipments in addition to tractors under ongoing schemes of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Macro Management of Agriculture (MMA), National Horticulture Mission (NHM) and National Food Security Mission (NFSM). List of agricultural equipments eligible for financial assistance under these schemes is enclosed as Annexure-A.

(c): Not applicable due to above.