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AGRICULTURAL SCHEMES

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing several new schemes to increase the production of foodgrains in the country including Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the targets fixed and achieved under these schemes during the last three years and the current year and the targets likely to be achieved during the 12th Plan period, State-wise;
- (d) whether these schemes have proved unsuccessful due to drought and flood situation in the country;
- (e) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (f) whether the Government is considering to revamp the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) during the 12th Plan period; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR)

(a) to (e): Yes, Madam. Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing a number of schemes for increasing foodgrains production in the country including Maharashtra such as Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana; National Food Security Mission; Macro management of Agriculture; Integrated Scheme on Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize; Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms; etc. Due to these schemes and other efforts, the foodgrains production has increased from 230.77 Million Tonne in 2007-08 to 259.32 Million Tonne in 2011-12. A Statement showing the details of state-wise targets for foodgrains and actual production during last three years and current year (as per 2nd advance estimates released on 8.2.2013) is annexed. Twelfth Plan envisaged 4% annual growth in the agriculture and allied sector.

(f) to (g): Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) is to be continued in the Twelfth Plan with certain modifications on the basis of the experience gained so far and the discussions with Planning Commission and suggestions of the States. Now, the scheme is proposed to have three channels/streams i.e.

(i) Production growth for increasing production and productivity;

(ii) development of agricultural infrastructure and assets; and

(iii) Focused interventions/schemes (sub-schemes). Twenty per cent of the annual outlay of modified Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana is to be earmarked for focused interventions (sub-schemes) and forty per cent each for production growth and infrastructure development respectively.