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KISAN KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has developed a Kisan Knowledge Management System (KKMS):
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the extent to which the farmers are likely to benefited from such system?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) & (b): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation (DAC), Ministry of Agriculture is in the process of developing Kisan Knowledge Management System for its use in Kisan Call Centres and for the benefit of farmers otherwise. The Kisan Knowledge Management System (KKMS) is expected to provide data-base on various package of practices relating to crops, horticulture, poultry, animal husbandry etc.

Currently, the information related to package of practices for Punjab State have been validated and loaded on the website <http://dackkms.gov.in/KKMS> and being used by Kisan Call Centre of Punjab. For the remaining states, data entered is being validated by the respective State Agriculture Universities and the State Agencies. Hence, presently a combination of books, reference material and data-base is being used to answer queries.

(c): Initially, the Kisan Knowledge Management System will benefit the farmers who call the Kisan Call Centre by receiving the information on various packages of practices instantly. Later on, farmers can also access the Kisan Knowledge Management System through the website <http://dackkms.gov.in/KKMS> directly or through the Common Service Centres.