

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any information about the number of tractors, electric pump sets and diesel pump sets being used for agricultural work;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether any efforts have been made for conducting assessment of the resources that are used in the agriculture sector; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KUNDARIA)

(a) to (e): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation conducts input survey in the country as a follow up survey of Agriculture Census on a five yearly interval. As per the input survey conducted with reference to the year 2006-07, the estimated number of agricultural operational holding using tractors, electric pump sets and diesel pump sets were 3,12,79048, 1,27,13933 and 1,31,79632 respectively (excluding the States of Bihar, Jharkhand and Maharashtra).

The Input Survey provides information on multiple cropping and also assessment of the resources that are used in the agriculture sector such as chemical fertilizers, organic manures and pesticides separately for irrigated and un- irrigated areas under various crops, use of agricultural machinery and implements, livestock, institutional credit, types of seeds used, integrated pest management practices, age, educational qualification and household size of operational holder, etc.

The Agriculture Statistics at a Glance is published by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation every year that provides statistical data on a wide range of agricultural commodities, details of land use and use of agricultural inputs across States and overtime.