

Title: Need to have crop insurance scheme to avert the adverse situations due to natural calamities in the country.

SHRI R.S. GAVAI (AMRAVATI): Sir, at present the farmers are able to obtain only 50 per cent of their credit requirement from various banks. Similarly, the State-owned Seed Corporations are meeting only 10 per cent of the requirement of seed. Indian farmers are benefitting from extension services provided by the Government agencies. Indian agriculturists are heavily dependent on the monsoon. Because of this and also because of natural calamities, about 10 per cent of the total crop gets destroyed every year. All these adverse situations can be averted if the country has a well-functioning crop insurance scheme.

अध्यक्ष महोदय : हम सब को बुलाएंगे।

There are 45 names with me. I will call of of them.

* Not Recorded.