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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 361
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20TH JULY, 2021

BOOSTING PRODUCTION OF PULSES

361. SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJI KUNDARIYA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has distributed seed mini-kits containing seeds to boost the production and productivity of pulses;

(b) if so, the details of such seed mini-kits and the number of farmers benefited, State and district-wise and year-wise for last three years and current year including Rajkot and Sabarkantha districts;

(c) whether the distribution of seed mini-kits were Aadhar-enabled and whether there is any mechanism to monitor the production and productivity due to this initiative; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (b): Yes, Sir. The seed minikits of pulses are distributed to the farmers of major pulse growing States under the National Food Security Mission (NFSM). The State-wise distribution of seed minikits of pulses during last three years and allocation for Kharif 2021 is **Annexed**. The district wise allocation and distribution of seed minikits is managed by the respective State Governments.

The seed minikits of pulses distributed in the districts of Rajkot and Sabarkantha during last 3 years and current year (Kharif) are as below:

(Quantity in Nos.)

Sl. No.	District	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	Rajkot	750	180	75	-
2	Sabarkantha	1550	4642	1050	500

(c) to (d): The Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) is implemented by the States under the National Food Security Mission (NFSM). The States transfer the benefit to the targeted beneficiaries through DBT by using Aadhar enabled system. Many states *viz.*, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra etc have reported Aadhaar enabled distribution of seed minikits. The production and productivity of pulses under seed minikits programme is primarily monitored by State Government field functionaries and State Food Security Mission Executive Committee (SFMSM-EC) headed by Chief Secretary/Agriculture Production Commissioner. Besides, field visits of seed minikits fields are also undertaken by National Level Monitoring Teams (NALMOTS) constituted by The Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare. As a result of the various interventions under NFSM-Pulses programme, the production of pulses has increased from 16.32 million metric tonnes in 2015-16 to 25.56 million metric tonnes in 2020-21 (3rd Advance Estimates). The productivity of pulses has also increased from 655 kg/ha to 878 kg/ha during the same period.

Annexure

Annexure as referred in Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.361 part (b) due for 20.07.2021

The State-wise distribution of seed minikits of pulses during last three years and allocated for Kharif 2021 is as under:

(Quantity in Nos.)

Sl. No.	State	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	Andhra Pradesh	35806	40200	25411	216825
2	Assam	23497	-	1245	-
3	Bihar	117374	-	8900	-
4	Chhattisgarh	42775	46150	51750	10250
5	Gujarat	34588	41250	16100	64520
6	Haryana	22450	35372	15300	31250
7	Himachal Pradesh	1375	435	-	-
8	Jammu & Kashmir	3500	20000	-	-
9	Jharkhand	96475	-	5700	5000
10	Karnataka	62945	21806	19399	221835
11	Madhya Pradesh	94617	47297	52479	442048
12	Maharashtra	44119	42251	14480	347010
13	Orissa	105497	12088	14300	2875
14	Punjab	43547	11558	2100	-
15	Rajasthan	168361	99153	58685	245650
16	Tamil Nadu	50015	29800	39000	101525
17	Telangana	1800	-	-	259825
18	Uttar Pradesh	134604	134939	67979	67625
19	Uttarakhand	27049	44075	7700	-
20	West Bengal	13550	-	-	2625
	Grand Total	1123944	626374	400528	2018863
