

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 915
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25TH JULY, 2023

CAMPAIGN FOR SUSTAINABLE FARMING

915. SHRI A. RAJA:
SHRI A. GANESHAMURTHI:

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

- (a) whether the G20 meeting of Agriculture Ministers deliberated on collective action for global food security and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any campaign has been launched for the farmers in the country for sustainable farming and promoting natural farming without extensive use of fertilizers and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any incentive scheme has been framed/implemented to encourage them towards this end, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): The G20 meeting of Agriculture Ministers held during 15-17 June, 2023 in Hyderabad deliberated on global food security and it has reiterated its commitments to food security and nutrition for all, through the inclusive, resilient, and sustainable agriculture and food systems. The G20 Agriculture Ministers have supported the Deccan High-Level Principles to reinforce global efforts and enhance food security and nutrition

worldwide and welcomed the launch of a new G20 international initiative for research on millets and other ancient grains.

(b) & (c): For development of sustainable farming, Government has been promoting organic farming in the country since 2015-16 through the schemes of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) and Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER). Both the schemes stress on end-to-end support to farmers engaged in organic farming i.e. from production to processing, certification and marketing and post-harvest management Training and Capacity Building. PKVY is being implemented in all the States other-than North Eastern (NE) States, across the country whereas MOVCDNER scheme is being implemented exclusively in the NE States.

Under PKVY, States/UTs of the country are provided financial assistance of Rs. 50000/ha for 3 years out of which, Rs. 31000/ha/3 years is provided directly to farmers through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) for on-farm and off-farm organic inputs. Financial assistance of Rs. 8800/ha for 3 years is provided for marketing, packaging, branding, value addition and other marketing initiatives. Apart from this, Rs. 2700/ha for 3 years is provided for certification and residual analysis. Under the scheme assistance is also provided @Rs. 7500/ha for 3 years for training and capacity building.

Under MOVCDNER, an assistance of Rs. 46,575/ha for 3years is provided for creation of Farmer Producers Organizations (FPO), support to farmers for organic inputs, quality seeds/ planting material and training, hand holding and certification. Financial assistance @ Rs 32500/ha for 3 years is provided to farmers for off-farm /on-farm organic inputs under the scheme.
