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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2466
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH DECEMBER, 2024

PM-KISAN SCHEME

2466. DR. T SUMATHY ALIAS THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

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

- (a) the number of farmers benefited under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) scheme in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) the details of funds disbursed;
- (c) whether there has been any observable impact on agricultural productivity and farmers' income;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any additional measures are being undertaken for enhancing farmers' welfare; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) to (d): The PM-KISAN scheme is a central sector scheme launched in February 2019 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister to supplement the financial needs of land-holding farmers. Under this scheme, the financial benefit of Rs 6,000/- per year in three equal instalments every four months is transferred into the bank accounts of farmers' families across the country through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode.

A farmer-centric digital infrastructure has ensured the benefits of the scheme reach all the farmers across the country without any involvement of the middlemen. Maintaining absolute transparency in registering and verifying beneficiaries, the Government of India has disbursed over Rs 3.46 lakh Cr in 18 instalments, so far. During the release of 18th Instalment in October, 2024, total 21.94 lakh beneficiaries of Tamil Nadu, received the benefit of the scheme amounting to Rs. 455.86 Cr.

According to a study conducted by International Food and Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), the funds disbursed under the PM-KISAN have acted as a catalyst in rural economic growth, aided in alleviating the credit constraints of farmers, and increased investments in agricultural inputs. Further, the scheme has enhanced farmers' risk-taking capacity, leading them to undertake riskier but comparatively productive investments. The funds received by recipients under PM-KISAN are not only helping them with their agricultural needs, but it is also catering to their other expenses such as education, medical, marriage, etc. These are the indicators of the positive impact of the scheme on the farmers of the country. PM KISAN has truly been a game changer for the farming community of our country.

(e) & (f): Besides the PM-Kisan Scheme, the Government of India is also implementing various schemes for enhancing farmer's welfare in the country. Some of the schemes are Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Agriculture Infrastructure Fund, Formation & Promotion of Farmer Producer Organizations, Namo Drone Didi, PM-Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Soil Health Card, Per Drop More Crop, Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA), National Food Security and Nutrition Mission, Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) etc.
