

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2990
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CHANGES IN NAIS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received proposals for certain changes in the National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) from the Government of Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): The State Government of Maharashtra has submitted a proposal to extend the coverage of National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) to all small and marginal farmers, growing rain fed crops, at 90% indemnity and providing 100% premium subsidy.

The Government of India is of the view that the parameters proposed are impractical and not in consonance with the provisions of the existing scheme.