

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 653
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH FEBRUARY, 2024

AGRICULTURE BUDGET

653. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:
SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM:
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KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has increased the budget of the Ministry, if so, the details of amount earmarked/utilized/unutilized/remitted back during each of the FYs 2019-20 to 2022-23 including rural areas, department-wise;
- (b) whether the Ministry has remitted back around Rs. One Lakh crore as unutilized budget allocation over the past five years and if so, the details and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether it is true that an amount of Rs. 21,005.13 crore has remained unutilized out of the budget allocation, which is five times the amount unspent in FY 2021-22, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor including the action taken against the apathy of unutilization of funds thereto;
- (d) whether the Government is utilizing adequate budget for North-Eastern States, Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan and Tribal Area Sub-Plan and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has taken any measures to ensure that surrendered funds are re-directed towards agricultural development and ensuring farmers' welfare; and
- (f) the details of steps being taken by the Government to promote the agriculture sector and to reduce farmers distress and to double their income?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

(a) to (e) The details of actual expenditure and amount unutilized from the Budget by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare during 2019-20 to 2022-23 are as follows;

(Amount: Rs in crore)

Sl No.	Year	Revised Estimate	Actual Expenditure	Amount unutilized against RE
1	2019-20	109261.4	101740.2	7521.19
2	2020-21	124060.1	115856	8204.04
3	2021-22	126202.7	122712.1	3490.58
4	2022-23	118256.4	109561	8695.41
	Total	477780.6	449869.3	27911.22

Out of total budget, allocation for North-Eastern States, Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC) and Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribes (DAPST) are earmarked in line with the existing guidelines and the Ministry ensures that funds earmarked under these heads are utilized effectively.

(f) Government of India is committed to the welfare of farmers. This is evident from the fact that in the fiscal year 2013-14, when the Ministry of Cooperation, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, and Department of Fisheries were integral parts of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, the total budget allocation was a mere Rs. 27662.67 crore. Despite the subsequent separation of these ministries/departments, the total budget allocation for the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has witnessed a substantial increase, reaching Rs 1,25,035.79 crore in the financial year 2023-24. The Government is implementing a comprehensive range of central sector as well as centrally sponsored schemes and programmes for the welfare of farmers in the country. These schemes encompass entire spectrum of agriculture including credit, insurance, income support, infrastructure, crops including horticulture, seeds, mechanization, marketing, organic and natural farming, farmer collectives, irrigation, extension, procurement of crops from farmers at minimum support prices, digital agriculture etc, details of which are given in Annexure.

ANNEXURE

Sl. No.	LIST OF MISSIONS / SCHEMES IMPLEMENTED BY THE DA&FW
Central Sector Schemes	
1	Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)
2	Formation And Promotion Of 10,000 Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)
3	Modified Interest Subvention Scheme (MISS)
4	National Bee Keeping and Honey Mission (NBHM)
5	Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA)
6	Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)/Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS)
7	Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY)
8	Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)

Centrally Sponsored Scheme (Krishonnati Yojana)	
9	Digital Agriculture
10	Integrated Scheme for Agricultural Marketing
11	Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)
12	Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER)
13	National Food Security and Nutrition Mission (NFSNM)
14	National Food Security Mission (Oilseeds)
15	National Mission on Edible Oil (NMEO-OP)
16	Sub-Mission on Agricultural Extension (SMAE)

Centrally Sponsored Scheme (Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY))	
17	Agroforestry
18	Crop Diversification Programme (CDP)
19	Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)
20	Per Drop More Crop (PDMC)
21	Rainfed Area Development (RAD)
22	Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana- DPR (RKVY-DPR)
23	Soil Health and Fertility
24	Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM)
