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UPLIFTMENT OF SMALL FARMERS AND LABOURERS

Starred Assembly Question No. *16 asked by Sh. Ram Kumar Gautam, MLA (Narnaund)

The State Government has taken various initiatives for upliftment/welfare of farmers and labourers across several focused areas. Monetary support is provided to the farmers and labourers through various schemes of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Department, Horticulture Department and Haryana State Agricultural Marketing Board. The details of the major schemes are as under:-

1. **Crop Residue Management(CRM)-**

- (i) To prevent the stubble burning, an incentive of Rs.1000/- per acre is provided to the farmers for in-situ and ex-situ crop residue management.
- (ii) Mechanization- To prevent stubble burning crop residue management machines are provided to the farmers on 50% (individual) and 80% subsidy to custom hiring centres.

2. **Direct Seeded Rice (DSR)-** Haryana is the first state in the country to promote DSR (a technique of paddy cultivation where the seeds are sown in the field directly rather than transplanting the seedlings) by assisting farmers of Rs. 4000/- per acre to save about 25 % water.

3. **Bhawantar Bharpayee Yojna-** This scheme is a distinctive initiative of Haryana Government to achieve the vision of Sustainable Agriculture. The State Government decided to include Bajra crop under Bhawantar Bharpai Yojna (BBY) during Kharif 2021 with the objective of risk mitigation and income protection to Bajra grower farmers through purchase under this scheme to cover the gap between the MSP and the market rate of Bajra.

Under the scheme the gap between MSP and Market rate of Rs.600/- per qtl. and Rs. 450/- per qtl. was provided to the farmers during Kharif 2021 and 2022 respectively. A gap of Rs 300/- per qtl. between MSP and market rate is being provided to the farmers during Kharif 2023.

4. **Mera Pani Meri Virasat-** A unique crop diversification and water conservation scheme was launched to diversify the Paddy Crop (water guzzling crop) with less water consuming crops during Kharif- 2020 by the State Govt. to incentivize farmers for diversification from paddy to alternative less water consuming crops such as, cotton, maize, kharif pluses (Moong, moth, urd, guar, soyabean, arhar), kharif oil seeds (til, castor, groundnut) kharif onion, vegetable/horticulture, fodder, agro-forestry (poplar and eucalyptus) and even fallow land (Khet Khali Phir Bhi Khushhali). An incentive of Rs. 7000/- per acre is provided to the farmers.
5. **Natural Farming:-** For achieving sustainable development goals a new scheme namely Natural Farming is being implemented. The main emphasis is to impart training to the farmers and officers of the department. An incentive of Rs. 25000/- on purchase of desi cow and Rs. 3000/- for purchase of four drums is provided to the farmers.
6. **Promotion of Cotton Cultivation-** Desi cotton hold a special place in cotton industry because of its inherent ability to withstand drought, salinity and remarkable resistance to sucking pests and cotton leaf curl virus. So, to increase the area under desi cotton an incentive of Rs. 3000/- per acre is provided to the farmers. Considering the necessity of water conservation and to promote micro-irrigation system (drip/sprinkler set) with water tank, subsidy is provided from Rs.2.25 to Rs. 3.25 lakh to the farmers.
7. **Pradhan Mantri Fasal Beema Yojna (PMFBY):-** The State Government is implementing Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojna (PMFBY) since Kharif 2016 to cover the risk of crop loss due to natural calamities. Haryana is among the few states whose claim to premium ratio has recorded more than 100%.
8. **Integrated Horticulture Development (IHD) Scheme:-** This scheme has been planned for integrated development of horticultural activities in the State and is in operation throughout the State. There is a provision of subsidy @ 25% to 75% on various components.

- 9. Scheme for Promotion of Advanced National and International Technologies in Horticulture Sector:-** Department is now collaborating with International Agencies in the field of Horticulture for transfer of International Technologies in the State with an objective to increase production and productivity of the Horticultural crops and there is a provision of subsidy @ 50% on vegetable seedlings.
- 10. Plan Scheme for Scheduled Castes (SCSP):-** The assistance in the form of subsidy @ 85% on different components like mushroom trays, seasonal mushroom cultivation, low-cost thatched hut, vegetable cultivation, bamboo and MS iron stacking in vegetable crops, protected structures (Poly House/ Net House/ Walk-in-Tunnels) to the beneficiaries is being provided.
- 11. Bhavantar Bharpayee Yojna (BBY):-** Haryana Govt. has started Bhavantar Bharpayee Yojna (BBY) in the State from 01.01.2018 to incentivize farmers to offset the losses during low prices in the market for perishable horticultural commodities. The difference of rates is paid to farmers as incentive.
- 12. Mukhyamantri Bagwani Bima Yojana (MBBY):-** Horticulture Crop Insurance Scheme has been designed as alternative option to provide assurance to horticulture farmers against natural calamities and to provide maximum benefit and 46 crops are covered under this scheme.
- 13. National Horticulture Mission:-** This scheme is being implemented in 19 districts of the State. The main components are area expansion under horticulture crops (fruits, vegetables, spices, flowers & aromatic plants), protected structures, post harvest management projects, mushroom projects, farm water ponds, bee hives, bee boxes, buckets and bee equipments etc. There is a provision of 25% to 100% subsidy on different components.
- 14. National Horticulture Mission for Scheduled Caste Farmers:-** This scheme is implemented in 19 districts of the State. The main components are area expansion of horticulture crops (fruits, vegetables, spices, flowers & aromatic plants), protected structures, post harvest management projects, mushroom projects, farm water ponds, bee hives, bee boxes, buckets and bee equipments, etc. There is a provision of 25% to 100% subsidy on different components.

15. Mukhya Mantri Kishan Evam Khetihar Mazdoor Jiwan Suraksha Yojna:-

Haryana State Agricultural Marketing Board is implementing this scheme from January, 2014 under which financial assistance is provided to victims (farmers, agriculture labourers and market yard labourers) of accidents occurred during agricultural operations in the fields, villages, market yards and while going or coming such places within the state of Haryana. The claimants covered under the scope of this scheme are being paid financial assistance as under:-

| Sr. No. | Effect of Accident | Assistance |
|---------|---|----------------|
| 1. | Death | Rs. 5,00,000/- |
| 2. | Permanent disability due to breakage of back bone or otherwise. | Rs. 2,50,000/- |
| 3. | Amputation of two limbs/ permanent serious injury | Rs. 1,87,500/- |
| 4. | Permanent serious injury/ amputation of one limb (amputation of four fingers shall be deemed as loss of one limb) | Rs. 1,25,000/- |
| 5. | Amputation of full finger | Rs. 75,000/- |
| 6. | Partial Amputation of finger | Rs. 37,500/- |

16. Atal Kisan-Majdoor Canteen (AKMC):- The Government of Haryana has established 'Atal Kisan - Majdoor Canteen' at 40 locations in the mandis throughout the State for providing subsidized meal (Lunch) @ Rs.10/- to the Kisans and Majdoors.

Assistance provided and to be provided to the farmers for their upliftment/welfare during the year 2023-24

| Sr.No | Name of Scheme | (Rs. InCrore) | No. of Beneficiaries | |
|--------------|---|---------------|----------------------|------|
| 1. | Crop Residue Management (CRM) | | | |
| | a. ex-situ and in-situ | 138.94 | 156915 | |
| | b. Machinery | 120.00 | 11007 | |
| 2. | Direct Seeded Rice (DSR) | 71.42 | 29699 | |
| 3. | Bhawantar Bharpai Yojna- Bajra (BBY) | 177.84 | 250470 | |
| 4. | Mera Pani Meri Virasat (MPMV) | 32.98 | 24670 | |
| 5. | Natural Farming | Desi Cow | 0.75 | 2500 |
| | | Drum | 0.45 | 179 |
| 6. | Promotion of Cotton Cultivation | 25.69 | 9482 | |
| 7. | Integrated Horticulture Development (IHD) Scheme | 74.38 | 7604 | |
| 8. | Scheme for Promotion of Advanced National and International Technologies in Horticulture Sector | 24.79 | 4964 | |
| 9. | Plan Scheme for Scheduled Castes (SCSP) | 4.70 | 667 | |
| 10. | Bhavantar Bharpayee Yojna (BBY) | 40.71 | 6868 | |
| 11. | Mukhyamantri Bagwani Bima Yojana (MBBY) | 0.70 | 76 | |
| 12. | National Horticulture Mission | 52.54 | 5460 | |
| 13. | National Horticulture Mission for Scheduled Caste Farmers | 6.45 | 164 | |
| Total | | 772.34 | 510725 | |

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