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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1456
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 12TH FEBRUARY, 2019

KUSUM SCHEME

1456. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

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

- (a) whether the Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahaabhiyan (KUSUM) scheme is successfully progressing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of farmers who utilized the scheme, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any campaigns/drives about the benefits of the scheme; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) to (e): The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has formulated a Scheme 'Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan (KUSUM)'. The Scheme is currently under the process of seeking approval.

The proposal on KUSUM Scheme provides for :-

- (i) installation of grid-connected solar power plants each of Capacity up to 2 MW in the rural areas;
- (ii) installation of standalone off-grid solar water pumps to fulfil irrigation needs of farmers not connected to grid; and
- (iii) solarisation of existing grid-connected agriculture pumps to make farmers independent of grid supply and also enable them to sell surplus solar power generated to DISCOM and get extra income.
