Lok Sabha

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[Agriculture and Farmers Welfare - Chemical and Fertilizers - CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION - FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES - HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES - HOME AFFAIRS - PANCHAYATI RAJ - RURAL DEVELOPMENT - SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT and ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRYING AND FISHERIES].

Total Question - 5

Dialogue with Farmers Organizations

1 Shri. Benny Behanan (Chalakudy):

Agriculture and Farmers Welfare:-

- (a) whether the Government is aware that thousands of farmers are agitating for the last two months against the new farm laws and demanding roll back of the same and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that a number of farmer protesters have died or fallen ill while agitating and if so, the total number of farmers died/fallen ill during the protest;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to give compensation to the families of the farmers who have died during the agitation and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has initiated any negotiations with the protesting farmers and if so, the number and details of meetings/negotiations held with farmers Unions and the outcome of the reconciliation efforts;
- (e) the details of the main demands raised by farmers organizations/Unions;
- (f) whether the Government is considering to look into the legitimate demands

of the farmers in order to end the deadlock; and

(g) whether the Government has any plan to withdraw/repeal the recently passed farm laws and if not, the reasons for not repealing the farm laws?

Funds for Agricultural and Allied Start-ups

2 Sh. Shrirang Appa Barne (Maval):

Agriculture and Farmers Welfare:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide funds for start-ups in the agriculture and allied sectors in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the criteria for allocation of funds for various start-ups;
- (c) the progress of agriculture start-ups in the country so far;
- (d) the extent to which the start-ups in agriculture would promote this sector and uplift the farmers in the country; and
- (e) the details of funds allocated under the innovation and agri-preneurship component of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana in 2020-21?

Attack on Hindus in Kashmir

3 Sh. Kunwar Pushpendra Singh Chandel (Hamirpur-up):

HOME AFFAIRS:

- (a) whether the Hindus have been attacked in Kashmir after getting original residence certificate and for purchasing land and promoting their business;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the action taken by the Government to check such incidents; and
- (d) the details of the attacks made on the Hindus and the number of people who died after the abolition of Article 370 in Kashmir?

Diversification of Crops

4 Sh. S. Jagathrakshakan (Arakkonam):

Agriculture and Farmers Welfare:-

- (a) the measures taken/to be taken by the Government towards educating farmers to look for diversifying crops instead of the routine summer and winter crop plantation; and
- (b) the steps taken/to be taken by the Government to spread awareness amongst farmers about farming, harvesting, packaging and selling, vital for society?

Agri India Hackathon

5 Shri. Kotagiri Sridhar (Eluru):

Agriculture and Farmers Welfare:-

- (a) whether the Government had organized an Agri India Hackathon to accelerate innovations in the field of agriculture recently, if so, the details thereof including the aims and objectives behind the move;
- (b) the advantages of organizing agri-hackathon and the achievements made out of it;
- (c) the number of applications received for Agrillndia Hackathon and the criteria fixed for selecting the winner;
- (d) the details of the innovations that were selected under such initiative;
- (e) the other steps taken to bring in fast and frugal solutions to tackle the big questions being faced by the farming community; and
- (f) whether this national initiative will bring all the stake holders from Industry and Government and if so, the details thereof?
