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LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 127*
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH JULY, 2026

IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHEMES TO PROMOTE NATURAL AND ORGANIC FARMING

127*. SMT. GENIBEN NAGAJI THAKOR:

SHRI MAHESH KASHYAP:

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

- (a) whether the Government is implementing any special scheme to promote natural farming and organic farming in the country, if so, the details thereof including in Bastar Lok Sabha Constituency;
- (b) the details of area covered under natural and organic farming and the number of farmers benefited during the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of steps taken by the Government to provide training, certification, marketing, Minimum Support Price (MSP) or other financial assistance to farmers adopting natural and organic farming;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to implement any new scheme to promote separate supply chain, storage and export of natural and organic products and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of the number of farmers benefited and the amount distributed under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi in Chhattisgarh during the last three years, district-wise;
- (f) the special programmes being operated to increase the income of small and marginal and tribal farmers; and
- (g) the steps taken for the processing and marketing of coarse grains (Shri Anna), Kodo, Kutki, Ragi and other traditional crops in Bastar?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री

(SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)

(a) to (g): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (g) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 127 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 28.07.2026 REGARDING “IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHEMES TO PROMOTE NATURAL AND ORGANIC FARMING”

(a) & (b): The Union Cabinet approved the National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) on 25th November 2024 as a centrally sponsored scheme which is being implemented in the country. Further, two schemes are being implemented to promote organic farming since 2015-16 namely Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), which is implemented in all States and Union Territories (UTs) and Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER), which is implemented in the North Eastern States. Both NMNF and PKVY schemes are being implemented in the State of Chhattisgarh including the Bastar Lok Sabha constituency. The details of NMNF and PKVY during the last three years (2023-24 to 2025-26) in the Bastar Lok Sabha constituency is as under:

S. No.	Districts under Bastar Lok Sabha Constituency	Scheme			
		NMNF		PKVY	
		Area(Ha.)	No. of Farmer	Area(Ha.)	No. of Farmer
1	Bastar	700	1750	2000	1249
2	Kondagaon	800	2000	1000	764
3	Dantewada	3600	9000	51779*	11044*
4	Bijapur	2000	5000	1000	787
5	Sukma	1000	2500	1000	891
6	Narayanpur	500	1250	1000	646

*Large Area Certification (LAC) area

The State/UT wise details of area covered under natural and organic farming and the number of farmers benefitted during the last three years are given at **Annexure – I & II** respectively.

(c) & (d): Under NMNF, 527 Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), 76 State Agriculture Universities (SAUs), 194 Local Natural Farming Institutes (LNFIs) have been identified to support cluster level implementation of the scheme. 18 Centres of Natural Farming Institutes (CoNFs) have been identified to impart training of Scientists (from these KVKs/SAUs), Officials of State/Districts/Block level implementing the scheme and Farmer Master Trainers (FMTs). 1,717 Scientists & Farmer Master Trainers (FMT) from KVK, State

Agricultural Universities (SAU) & Local Natural Farming Institutions (LNFI) and 2,044 State & District Officials have been trained on natural farming. At a cluster level Community Resource Persons (CRPs) are deployed to handhold the farmers on the practices of natural farming. Such CRPs and farmers are trained by the Scientists and FMTs at KVK, SAU & LNFI about the practices and benefits of Natural Farming, about the Mission and on preparation of bio-inputs like Jeevamrut, Beejamrut, etc. 37,731 Krishi Sakhis/ CRPs have been trained.

Till date, 23,13,238 farmers have been provided support as mentioned above and expenditure of ₹ 65924.34 lakh has been incurred under NMNF. The support provided to farmers to facilitate the transition towards natural farming includes the following:

- (i) Output Based Incentive of ₹4000/- per acre, per year to a farmer for 2 years (up to 1 acre per farmer);
- (ii) Training of Community Resource Persons (CRPs) and farmers on the practices of natural farming;
- (iii) Support provided of ₹ 50,000/- for establishment of per Model Demonstration Farm (MDF) in KVK, SAUs, LNFI and FMT field.
- (iv) Support provided of ₹ 1,00,000/- for establishment of per Bio-input Resource Centres (BRCs) for easy availability of natural farming inputs;
- (v) Certification facilities are provided to farmers adopting natural farming for which financial assistance of ₹2,100 per hectare is provided for a period of two years.

Under PKVY, assistance of Rs. 31,500 per ha is provided over 3 years for promotion of organic farming. Out of this, assistance of Rs. 15,000 per ha is provided to farmers through Direct Benefit Transfer for on- farm /off –farm organic inputs including organic compost. Financial assistance of Rs. 4,500/ha is provided over 3 years for marketing, packaging, branding, value addition etc. Rs. 3,000/ha for 3 years is provided for certification. Assistance is also provided @Rs. 9,000/ha in 3 years for training, awareness & capacity building.

Under MOVCDNER, assistance of Rs. 46,500 per ha is provided over 3 years for creation of Farmers Producer Organization, support to farmers for organic inputs etc. Out of this, assistance @ Rs. 32,500 per ha is provided to farmers for off -farm /on –farm organic inputs under the scheme including Rs. 15,000 as Direct Benefit Transfer to the farmers. Financial assistance of Rs 10,000 per ha is provided over 3 years for activities of Internal Control System (ICS) management, training and certification. Financial assistance of Rs 4,000 per ha is provided over 3 years for value chain marketing at state level.

Till date, 36,38,043 farmers have been provided support as mentioned above and expenditure of ₹ 370353.02 lakh has been incurred for PKVY and MOVCDNER.

Natural Farming Certification System (NFCS) for certification of natural farming produce has been initiated under the Mission. NFCS adopts a digital online certification under Participatory Guarantee System (PGS-INDIA NATURAL) with logo “PGS-INDIA NATURAL”. More than 22.47 lakh farmers have been registered under the natural farming certification system till date with more than 14.43 lakh farmers issued natural farming certificates. Natural Farming certified products are available in the market as well as on Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) for Business to Consumer sales.

Government has initiated Organic Certification to help small farmers reap these benefits, making farming systems more sustainable, prosperous, and profitable. Participatory Guarantee System (PGS-India) organic certification being implemented by Ministry of Agriculture and farmers’ Welfare. So far 16.35 lakh ha area has been certified benefitting 24.14 lakh farmers under PGS-India Certification Programme. Till now more than 500 brands have been developed for organic farming under PGS-India, which have received good and stable prices in the market. The prominent brands developed under PGS-India Organic Certification programme include Pure & Sure (Bengaluru), Swadeshm Organic (Uttar Pradesh), Organic Himachal, Organic Jharkhand, Kerala Organic, Sahaja Aharam (Hyderabad), Tamil Nadu Organic Products, Aadim Organic (Dantewada), Organic Uttarakhand, Namami Gange Jaivik Kashi etc.

National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) which is a third-party Certification for organic products is managed by Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) (Ministry of Commerce and Industry) for export and large-scale domestic production. Till 2025-26, 39.68 lakhs ha land certified under NPOP Organic Certification. The prominent brands developed under National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) certification includes, Mantra Organic, Organic India, Natureland Organics, Morarka, etc.

Under MOVCDNER, all 8 North East states developed their own organic product brands namely Organic Arunachal (Arunachal Pradesh), Organic Manipur (Manipur), Mission Organic Mizoram (Mizoram), Naga Organic (Nagaland), Sikkim Organic (Sikkim), Megha (Meghalaya) and Tripura Organic (Tripura), Asoma (Assam) which are used on its organic products for marketing.

(e) & (f): The Government is implementing various schemes and programs such as Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN), Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (PM-RKVY), Krishonnati Yojana (KY) etc. to enhance the livelihood and income of

small, marginal and tribal farmers. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN), aims at providing financial assistance to farmer families with cultivable landholding, subject to certain exclusion criteria, to enable them to take care of expenses related to agriculture and allied activities. The District-wise details of PM-KISAN for the State of Chhattisgarh during Financial Year 2023-24 to Financial Year 2026-27 is given at **Annexure – III**.

(g): The Government is implementing a Sub-Mission on Shree Anna under the National Food Security & Nutrition Mission (NFSNM) to increase the production and productivity of millets in 28 States and 2 Union Territories (UTs), including Chhattisgarh. Under NFSNM-Shree Anna, assistance is provided to the farmers, through the States/UTs, to all categories of farmers including tribal, small and marginal farmers for the implementation of various mission components, for demonstration on crop production and protection technologies, for production and distribution of certified seeds, for Integrated Nutrient and Pest Management measures and for capacity building of farmers through cropping system based trainings. Flexibility has been given to States / UTs to identify districts for implementation of different components of the Mission, subject to inter alia conditions that prioritize districts with low productivity but high potential. An amount of Rs. 2023.86 lakh (Central Share + State Share) has been approved in the Annual Action Plan for the State of Chhattisgarh for Shree Anna under NFSNM during 2026-27. Processing and marketing of coarse grains (Shri Anna), Kodo, Kutki, Ragi and other traditional crops is being taken up in Bastar involving Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) and Farmer Producer Organization (FPOs).

Annexure - I

State/UT-wise Physical achievements under the Mission (NMNF) from financial year 2024-25 to 2026-27

S. No.	State/ UT	Cluster Formation	Farmer Enrolment	Area covered (in Ha)
1	Andaman & N Islands	4	500	200
2	Andhra Pradesh	5931	651567	428252.564
3	Arunachal Pradesh	251	10982	8805.316
4	Assam	67	6683	4884.136
5	Bihar	512	57815	24255.308
6	Chhattisgarh	592	72058	31505.416
7	Delhi	6	375	150
8	Goa	13	1623	630.888
9	Gujarat	1377	146108	58740.94
10	Haryana	216	12686	10703.212
11	Himachal Pradesh	648	75313	27174.316
12	Jammu & Kashmir	249	21541	7605.048
13	Jharkhand	189	12066	5032.28
14	Karnataka	1266	133540	58136.8
15	Kerala	135	18937	7984.512
16	Ladakh	4	621	175.616
17	Madhya Pradesh	1889	168100	91199.656
18	Maharashtra	2161	168957	63014.96
19	Manipur	113	12202	4814.632
20	Meghalaya	166	9617	3223.396
21	Mizoram	363	22110	15800.15
22	Nagaland	107	7998	3473.12
23	Odisha	581	71422	27258.648
24	Puducherry	6	772	256.252
25	Punjab	71	5657	1994.28
26	Rajasthan	2810	262346	111165.58
27	Tamil Nadu	75	7947	3458.912
28	Telangana	529	62186	36800.928
29	Tripura	336	17294	6648.988
30	Uttar Pradesh	2207	240933	87246.9
31	Uttarakhand	227	24282	10066.548
32	West Bengal	230	9000	3600
	Total	23331	2313238	1144259.302

Annexure-II

The State/UT wise details of area covered and farmers benefitted under PKVY scheme from financial year 2023-24 to 2026-27

S. No.	State/UT	Area Covered (in Ha.)	Farmer Enrolment
1	Andaman & Nicobar Island	14,491	3590
2	Andhra Pradesh	188913	367723
3	Bihar	5620	6369
4	Chhattisgarh	82279	41297
5	Goa	6555.61	8045
6	Gujarat	12500	13217
7	Himachal Pradesh	3.41	9
8	Jammu and Kashmir	4662.54	13996
9	Jharkhand	20300	22492
10	Karnataka	31125	30000
11	Kerala	82100	285540
12	Ladakh	10000.00	14966
13	Madhya Pradesh	43350	46230
14	Maharashtra	17000	17081
15	Mizoram	354	354
16	Odisha	6500	9661
17	Puducherry	600	827
18	Punjab	3042.311	3159
19	Rajasthan	52640	70749
20	Sikkim	15300	15816
21	Tamil Nadu	12000	12089
22	Telangana	97.99	61
23	Uttar Pradesh	91400	128652
24	Uttarakhand	50000	125000
25	West Bengal	24043.88	42052
Total		774877.74	1278975

The State/UT wise details of area covered and farmers benefitted under MOVCDNER scheme from financial year 2023-24 to 2026-27

State	Area Covered (in Ha.)	Farmer Enrolment
Arunachal Pradesh	7,500	4,140
Assam	5,500	5,480
Manipur	5,500	5,500
Meghalaya	5,500	4,428
Mizoram	5,500	5,500
Nagaland	7,500	7,500
Sikkim	7,651.5292	20,040
Tripura	6,498.70	6,958
Total	51150.2292	59546

Annexure-III

The District-wise details of the number of farmers benefitted and the amount distributed under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi to the State of Chhattisgarh from financial Year 2023-24 to 2026-27.

(Rs. in Cr.)

District	14th Instalment (Apr'23 - Jul'23)		15th Instalment (Aug'23 - Nov'23)		16th Instalment (Dec'23 - Mar'24)		17th Instalment (Apr'24 - Jul'24)	
	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed
Balod	1,11,716	23.41	1,17,496	27.85	1,21,478	27.41	1,24,146	26.52
Balodabazar- Bhatapara	1,05,465	22.55	1,09,662	25.86	1,18,850	27.09	1,24,216	28.24
Balrampur- Ramanujganj	51,667	12.71	54,834	18.33	57,184	12.79	60,303	15.35
Bastar	45,651	11.75	47,934	14.21	52,951	15.39	55,281	13.93
Bemetara	92,731	19.68	99,851	25.07	1,04,639	23.40	1,09,554	26.19
Bijapur	13,151	2.72	13,544	4.66	14,669	3.53	15,615	3.40
Bilaspur	75,323	16.65	78,056	19.11	85,912	20.08	92,277	22.74
Dakshin Bastar Dantewada	10,323	2.21	11,586	5.01	13,195	3.74	14,058	3.93
Dhamtari	82,201	17.71	87,458	20.38	92,744	20.52	96,108	21.07
Durg	73,946	15.56	76,499	17.56	79,974	18.07	81,724	17.36
Gariyaband	81,850	17.71	87,320	22.24	95,148	21.51	1,00,070	23.27
Gaurela- Pendra- Marwahi	16,945	3.57	18,857	4.48	23,997	6.98	25,916	6.34
Janjgir- Champa	79,166	18.02	93,151	27.82	1,01,201	27.24	1,09,661	30.09
Jashpur	57,852	12.86	61,386	19.59	65,732	16.97	70,065	16.08
Kabeerdham	1,05,359	22.61	1,11,605	26.97	1,14,991	24.95	1,17,260	25.03
Khairagarh- Chhuikhadan- Gandai	54,521	11.37	56,864	13.47	60,450	14.01	63,454	14.85
Kondagaon	37,578	8.87	43,408	15.46	46,849	12.79	54,620	21.40
Korba	64,208	13.88	70,251	18.66	73,652	15.34	76,832	17.34
Korea	27,876	6.21	30,799	8.76	32,111	7.77	32,960	7.38
Mahasamund	87,804	20.22	93,198	25.50	1,11,241	47.55	1,17,292	28.65

Manendragarh -Chirmiri- Bharatpur(M C B)	21,032	4.48	24,618	8.94	26,859	8.05	28,092	6.44
Mohla- Manpur- Ambagarh Chouki	30,322	6.84	32,297	8.29	33,572	7.45	35,097	9.72
Mungeli	80,872	17.79	79,312	17.87	87,476	19.77	90,886	19.55
Narayanpur	6,272	1.34	7,118	2.66	7,818	1.80	8,400	1.91
Raigarh	76,736	17.08	79,524	19.40	82,256	17.57	86,378	21.36
Raipur	77,096	16.76	82,419	19.43	90,114	20.63	95,247	22.18
Rajnandgaon	92,863	19.36	97,711	23.65	1,03,209	23.80	1,05,692	22.98
Sakti	71,128	19.67	67,196	18.69	75,385	26.50	81,505	23.47
Sarangarh- Bilaigarh	47,632	10.27	62,015	20.65	71,996	21.87	74,359	16.84
Sukma	17,059	4.21	17,450	6.51	19,056	5.95	19,598	4.21
Surajpur	87,911	20.39	94,188	28.88	99,972	24.21	1,03,285	23.61
Surguja	71,762	17.23	74,976	22.38	80,064	18.89	83,273	18.91
Uttar Bastar Kanker	68,970	14.93	71,678	17.67	76,031	16.74	78,584	17.03
Total	20,24,988	450.64	21,54,261	576.05	23,20,776	580.36	24,31,808	577.36

District	18th Instalment (Aug'24 - Nov'24)		19th Instalment (Dec'24 - Mar'25)		20th Instalment (Apr'25 - Jul'25)	
	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed
Balod	1,24,078	25.65	1,26,120	26.68	1,21,096	25.14
Balodabazar- Bhatapara	1,28,777	28.36	1,35,471	32.94	1,30,715	28.83
Balrampur- Ramanujganj	62,160	15.24	64,076	14.00	61,748	13.52
Bastar	57,274	13.80	64,967	14.16	66,228	14.43
Bemetara	1,10,442	24.04	1,14,653	28.12	1,11,448	25.62
Bijapur	16,733	5.01	18,743	4.70	17,037	3.74
Bilaspur	98,073	23.41	1,05,511	26.98	1,01,564	22.83
Dakshin Bastar Dantewada	16,273	4.88	17,275	3.82	16,755	3.56
Dhamtari	98,357	21.92	1,02,040	23.63	98,013	21.66
Durg	81,716	17.19	82,648	17.64	79,660	16.63
Gariyaband	1,02,674	22.44	1,05,355	23.70	99,745	21.60
Gaurela- Pendra- Marwahi	27,578	7.16	30,805	7.61	30,841	7.34
Janjgir-Champa	1,20,218	29.78	1,30,132	38.68	1,25,730	30.94
Jashpur	72,779	17.55	74,730	16.75	72,981	15.79
Kabeerddham	1,17,610	24.30	1,20,033	26.76	1,14,957	24.35
Khairagarh- Chhuikhadan- Gandai	64,649	14.54	67,754	16.71	64,148	13.90
Kondagaon	59,051	17.75	60,738	13.80	58,566	12.46
Korba	78,750	17.51	83,020	19.96	80,211	19.21
Korea	33,113	6.95	34,266	7.45	32,500	6.75
Mahasamund	1,25,613	27.92	1,32,079	34.76	1,28,356	29.60
Manendragarh- Chirmiri- Bharatpur(M C B)	29,042	7.15	29,617	6.27	28,369	5.87

Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chouki	35,742	8.41	36,571	8.49	34,698	7.46
Mungeli	93,153	20.16	96,058	20.85	88,269	18.66
Narayanpur	8,911	2.36	9,613	2.35	10,709	2.87
Raigarh	87,319	18.89	89,994	20.75	87,382	19.24
Raipur	98,605	21.65	1,02,036	22.75	95,883	21.05
Rajnandgaon	1,06,474	22.89	1,08,569	24.60	1,04,722	22.49
Sakti	86,055	18.75	90,372	30.15	87,830	23.54
Sarangarh-Bilaigarh	75,054	16.08	77,435	18.17	74,126	17.20
Sukma	19,926	4.65	21,654	6.81	20,904	4.50
Surajpur	1,04,218	22.75	1,06,977	23.05	1,02,414	21.48
Surguja	88,028	22.66	92,027	20.49	89,673	19.20
Uttar Bastar Kanker	79,494	18.25	82,949	19.13	80,694	19.98
Total	25,07,939	570.04	26,14,288	622.71	25,17,972	561.44

District	21st Instalment (Aug 25-Nov 25)		22nd Instalment (Dec 25-Mar 26)		23rd Instalment (April 26-July 26)	
	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount Disbursed
Balod	1,19,981	24.07	1,20,099	24.02	1,19,220	23.85
Balodabazar- Bhatapara	1,27,203	25.45	1,27,470	25.50	1,21,610	24.32
Balrampur- Ramanujganj	61,117	12.22	61,422	12.28	61,125	12.23
Bastar	63,735	12.75	63,365	12.67	61,913	12.38
Bemetara	1,09,963	21.99	1,10,088	22.02	1,08,826	21.77
Bijapur	16,666	3.34	16,718	3.34	16,616	3.32
Bilaspur	1,00,052	20.02	1,00,201	20.04	99,538	19.91
Dakshin Bastar Dantewada	15,744	3.15	15,774	3.15	15,688	3.14
Dhamtari	96,138	19.28	96,050	19.21	95,230	19.05
Durg	78,769	15.77	78,698	15.74	77,749	15.57
Gariyaband	98,644	19.73	98,720	19.75	97,322	19.46
Gaurela- Pendra- Marwahi	29,944	5.99	29,997	6.00	29,767	5.95
Janjgir- Champa	1,21,087	24.22	1,21,113	24.22	1,20,280	24.07
Jashpur	71,543	14.31	71,647	14.33	71,171	14.23
Kabeerdham	1,13,964	22.79	1,14,105	22.82	1,13,618	22.73
Khairagarh- Chhuikhadan- Gandai	63,155	12.63	63,231	12.65	62,898	12.58
Kondagaon	58,045	11.61	58,231	11.65	57,838	11.57
Korba	79,442	15.89	79,474	15.89	78,294	15.66
Korea	32,156	6.43	32,203	6.44	31,691	6.34
Mahasamund	1,26,065	25.21	1,26,456	25.29	1,25,609	25.12
Manendragarh -Chirmiri- Bharatpur(M C B)	28,155	5.63	28,239	5.65	27,920	5.58

Mohla- Manpur- Ambagarh Chouki	34,027	6.81	34,053	6.81	33,781	6.76
Mungeli	86,007	17.20	85,603	17.12	85,078	17.02
Narayanpur	10,604	2.12	9,894	1.98	9,834	1.97
Raigarh	86,541	17.31	86,200	17.24	85,230	17.05
Raipur	92,372	18.48	92,083	18.42	91,445	18.29
Rajnandgaon	1,02,729	20.55	1,00,737	20.15	99,237	19.85
Sakti	85,744	17.15	85,786	17.16	85,038	17.01
Sarangarh- Bilaigarh	73,079	14.63	73,177	14.64	72,641	14.53
Sukma	20,788	4.16	20,891	4.18	20,765	4.15
Surajpur	1,00,105	20.02	1,00,309	20.06	99,788	19.96
Surguja	86,812	17.36	86,809	17.36	86,187	17.30
Uttar Bastar Kanker	78,908	15.78	79,083	15.82	78,360	15.67
Total	24,69,284	494.06	24,67,926	493.61	24,41,307	488.38
