

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

Crop Residue Management

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Burning of crop residue in the states like Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan also contributes in increasing environmental pollution levels.

National Green Tribunal has directed the Delhi government and these four northern states to take strict measures to deal with this serious biennial threat.

- · In this regard, Agriculture Ministry issued an advisory to the state governments to create awareness among the farmers about the harmful effect of straw burning.
- Facilitate farmers residue management machines and equipment such as Zero Till Seed Drill, Happy Seeder, Straw Baler, Rotavator, Paddy Straw
 Chopper/ Mulcher, Gyro Rake, Straw Reaper, Shredder, etc., to through Custom Hiring Centres or village level Farm Machinery Banks.
- The State Governments have also been directed that Rs. 4000/ Hectare shall be used from the funds available for demonstration of machines under Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization for demonstration of straw management machinery at farmers' fields.

For crop residue management, under Sub-Mission on Agriculture Mechanization, the Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers Welfare have allocated funds to the four states

State	Allocation of Funds (In Crore)		Funds Utilised (In Crore)	
	2016-17	2017-18	2016-17	2017-18
Punjab	49.08	48.50		
Haryana		45.00		39.00
Rajasthan		9.00		3.00
Uttar Pradesh	24.77	30.00	24.77	26.01

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