Pradhan mantri fasal bima Yojana

• The new Crop Insurance Scheme is in line with One Nation – One Scheme theme. It incorporates the best features of all previous schemes and at the same time, all previous shortcomings / weaknesses have been removed. The PMFBY will replace the existing two schemes National Agricultural Insurance Scheme as well as the Modified NAIS.

Benefits

- Will reduce suicides among farmers
- Will increase the production of crops and benefit for general wellbeing
- To provide insurance coverage and financial support to the farmers in the event of failure of any of the notified crop as a result of natural calamities, pests & diseases.
- To stabilise the income of farmers to ensure their continuance in farming.
- To encourage farmers to adopt innovative and modern agricultural practices.
- To ensure flow of credit to the agriculture sector.

Risks covered

- Yield Losses (standing crops, on notified area basis). Comprehensive risk
 insurance is provided to cover yield losses due to non-preventable risks, such as
 Natural Fire and Lightning, Storm, Hailstorm, Cyclone, Typhoon, Tempest,
 Hurricane, Tornado. Risks due to Flood, Inundation and Landslide, Drought, Dry
 spells, Pests/ Diseases also will be covered.
- In cases where majority of the insured farmers of a notified area, having intent to sow/plant and incurred expenditure for the purpose, are prevented from sowing/planting the insured crop due to adverse weather conditions, shall be eligible for indemnity claims upto a maximum of 25 per cent of the sum-insured.
- In post-harvest losses, coverage will be available up to a maximum period of 14 days from harvesting for those crops which are kept in "cut & spread" condition to dry in the field.
- For certain localized problems, Loss / damage resulting from occurrence of identified localized risks like hailstorm, landslide, and Inundation affecting isolated farms in the notified area would also be covered.

*How to apply*Farmers can apply online for Crop Insurance at the link "https://pmfby.gov.in/"

For any queries:

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