GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4901

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 01ST APRIL, 2025

SETTING-UP OF MEGA VEGETABLE MARKET AND AGRO MARKETS

4901. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

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

- (a) whether there is a lack of a mega vegetable market and agro markets for sale of agro products, dairy products, fisheries and meat products of farmers and other producers due to which farmers have to face extreme incovenience in sale and purchase of their produces in the vicinity of the Mega Steel Plant and other allied undertakings situated at Bhilai parliamentary constituency which generates lakhs of employment opportunities for people;
- (b) whether there is any proposal for setting up a mega vegetable and agro markets in view of providing infrastructural facility for the people in the above area; and
- (c) if so, the time by which a mega vegetable and agro market are likely to be set up at a vacant land in front of Ward no. 33, Novai colony, Municipality of Risali District, Durg?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) to (c): Agricultural Marketing is a State subject and Agricultural Produce Market Committees (APMCs) are regulated under respective State Agricultural Produce Market Committee Act of the State. States, after assessing the requirement, based on production, marketable surplus & existence of traders etc. establish markets.

As per the information received from Chhattisgarh State Agricultural Marketing Board, there are two fruits and vegetable markets established in campus of Krishi Upaj Mandi Samiti, Durg and at Dhamdha block in the District Durg. Further, one fruits and vegetable market is under construction at Kumhari. It was further informed by the State Board that there is no plan or scheme for setting up of mega vegetable and agro market at a vacant land in front of Ward No. 33, Novai colony, Municipality of Risali in Durg district.
