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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2902 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025

## ORGANIC AGRICULTURE ZONES OF RAJASTHAN

2902. SMT. MAHIMA KUMARI MEWAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any special initiatives in collaboration with the State Government of Rajasthan to promote organic farming in Rajasthan and to create organic agriculture zones; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) & (b): Government is promoting organic farming in the country through the scheme of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), a component of Pradhan Mantri- Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (PM-RKVY) including the State of Rajasthan. The PKVY scheme provides end-to-end support to organic farmers i.e. from production to processing, certification and marketing in cluster based approach. The primary focus of the scheme is to form organic clusters in a cluster where preference is given to small and marginal farmers to help them to create a supply chain.

Under PKVY scheme, States/UTs are provided financial assistance of Rs. 31,500/ha in total in 3 years in the organic clusters out of which, Rs. 15,000/ha is provided directly to farmers through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) for on-farm and off-farm organic inputs, Rs. 4,500/ha for marketing, packaging, branding, value addition etc., Rs. 3,000/ha for certification and residue analysis and Rs. 9,000/ha for training and capacity building. Farmers can avail maximum 2 ha area.

Government of Rajasthan has informed that 1.49 lakh ha area has been covered under organic farming involving 2.17 lakh farmers in 33 districts under the PKVY scheme since 2015-16.

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