

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

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 273
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 8TH AUGUST, 2023

COMPENSATION TO FARMERS AFFECTED BY CYCLONES

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

- (a) the number of cyclones that hit the country during the last five years and their impact on crop production, State-wise especially for the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the quantities of horticultural products wasted/ damaged due to cyclones from 2019 to 2023, crop and State-wise;
- (c) the efforts being made by the Government to develop perennially secure supply-chain networks, particularly with respect to the transportation of horticultural crops;
- (d) the number of farmers in Andhra Pradesh who have been affected due to cyclones;
- (e) whether farmers affected by cyclones are being compensated by the State Governments for their losses and if so, the details thereof;
- (f) if not, whether the Union Government is providing any compensation for the purpose; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.273 DUE FOR REPLY ON 8TH AUGUST, 2023

(a) & (b): As per information received from the India Meteorological Department (IMD), the names of the cyclones that hit the country during the last five years are as under:

Year	Name of the cyclone
2018	Daye, Titli, Gaja, Phethai
2019	Pabuk, Fani, Bul Bul
2020	Amphan, Nisarga, Nivar, Burevi
2021	Tauktae, Yaas, Gulaab
2022	Asani, Mandous

As per information provided by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Inter-Ministerial Central Teams (IMCTs) were constituted to visit the States affected by the cyclones for an on the spot assessment of damages. Details of cropped area reported by State Governments, assessed by IMCT and the amount approved by High Level Committee from NDRF for cyclones during 2018-19 to 2022-23 are at Annexure.

(c): Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), a centrally sponsored scheme, is being implemented for the holistic development of horticulture in the country. All States/Union Territories (UTs) are covered under MIDH. For preventing the losses and facilitating better marketing of the horticulture produce, assistance is provided for setting up of market infrastructures such as static/mobile vending cart/ platform with cool chamber and also functional infrastructure for collection, sorting /grading, packing etc. Assistance is also extended for establishment of infrastructure relating to cold chain management activities and integrated cold chain supply system, including refrigerated vans/containers under Integrated Post Harvest Management component of MIDH.

Horticulture Cluster Development Programme has been launched for selected high value horticulture crops through National Horticulture Board (NHB). This Programme is designed to leverage the geographical specialization of horticulture clusters and promote integrated and market led development of pre-production, production, post-harvest, logistics, branding and marketing activities.

(d): The State Government of Andhra Pradesh has reported that a total of 9,59,999 agriculture and horticulture farmers have been affected by these cyclones in the State.

(e) to (g): The State Government is primarily responsible for providing necessary relief measures in the wake of natural calamities in accordance with the Government of India approved items & norms. For undertaking relief measures towards all notified calamities, including drought, flood, landslides, cyclone etc, funds are available with the State Government in the form of the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF). Additional financial assistance, over and above SDRF, is considered from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) for natural calamities of severe nature, as per the established procedures. Financial assistance released to the States under NDRF for all the notified calamities during 2018-19 to 2022-23 is Rs.45,654.76 crore.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in parts (a) & (b) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 273 due for answer on 08.08.2023

(Rs. in Crore)

Year	Name of Cyclone	Name of State	Cropped area damaged assessed by IMCT (in ha)	Financial assistance approved by HLC for agriculture sector
2018-19	Titli	Andhra Pradesh	103922.79	151.91
		Odisha	304009	264.06
	Gaja	Tamilnadu	122063	162.50
		Puducherry	81.68	0.10
	Phethai	Andhra Pradesh	47908.33	51.33
2019-20	Fani	Odisha	146311	165.43
	Bulbul	Odisha	169257.35	136.34
		West Bengal	390047	388.42
2020-21	Amphan	Odisha	3393.58	4.10
		West Bengal	642552	665.94
	Nisarga	Maharashtra	33038	42.17
	Nivar	Tamil Nadu	15650.25	16.02
		Andhra Pradesh	425870.56	358.59
		Puducherry	2545.43	3.107
	Burevi	Tamil Nadu	200782.05	175.04
2021-22	Tauktae	Goa	123.82	-
		Gujarat	149243	135.31
		Daman and Diu	51.22	0.069
		West Bengal	188465	185.81
2022-23	No IMCT Visited for Cyclone in the country.			
