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To,

Marketing Officer (Group-1)
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 Shastri Bhawan
 New Delhi

Sub: **Request for Inputs for Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 548 on "Farmers Engaged in Tobacco Cultivation" due for reply on 03.02.2026 – reg.**

Sir,

Please refer to your email dated 29.01.2026 on the above subject. In this regard, point wise reply is furnished as below:

Sl. No.	Question	Reply
a)	the number of farmers engaged in tobacco cultivation across the country, along with the total area under cultivation and production during the last five years, disaggregated by tobacco type such as FCV, Burley, Chewing and others, State and year-wise;	No such information available with SFAC. Department may reply.
b)	the initiatives undertaken by the Government during the last five years to promote quality improvement, value addition and export competitiveness in tobacco, along with measurable outcomes;	
c)	the number of tobacco farmers who have shifted to alternative crops under Central or State schemes and whether any data is available on changes in income levels and sustainability of such transitions, State-wise;	
d)	the targets set and achieved for reduction of tobacco acreage and promotion of sustainable farming practices; and	
e)	the funds allocated, released and utilised for crop diversification, capacity building and market linkages related to tobacco farmers during the last five years, State-wise?	

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