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To,

Section Officer (Agriculture Marketing –II Division)
 Department of Agriculture & Farmer Welfare,
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Sub: Lok Sabha Unstarred Question D. no. 648 for 02.12.2025. on APEDA.

Sir,

Please refer to your email dated 25.11.2025 on the above subject. In this regard, point wise reply is furnished as below:

Sl. No.	Question	Reply as far as SFAC is concerned
a)	whether Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) needs sufficient budget to achieve its goals more effectively can provide more financial support, training, and market access to exporters with the availability of the same, if so, the details thereof;	No such Information available with SFAC.
b)	the steps being taken by the Government to improve technical and financial support to farmers and exporters;	The Govt. of India has launched central Sector Scheme for formation and promotion of 10,000 Farmer Producer Organizations wherein following supports are provided to the FPOs: • Management Cost of Rs. 18 lakh/FPO for 5 years for office and operational expenses. • Matching Equity Grant upto Rs. 2000/-per farmer with the ceiling of Rs. 15 lakh/FPO. • Capacity building, training and skill development of CEOs, BoDs and other stakeholders • Encouraging direct market linkages participation in e-NAM. Central government has also implemented several initiatives to incentivize and promote Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), focusing on financial support, infrastructure development and market access.

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		• FPOs can avail assistance for setting Custom Hiring Centre (CHC). • Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF): FPOs can access credit guarantee loans up to Rs. 2.0 Cr. • Webinars are also being organized for FPOs by MoA&FW where industry experts guide FPOs on doing business with their organizations.
c)	the plan to provide more advanced and focused training to exporters and farmers regarding international standards, quality control, and marketing strategies; and	No such Information available with SFAC.
d)	the steps being taken to make market development scheme of APEDA more effective to help exporters access new international markets ?	No such Information available with SFAC.

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