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To,

Section Officer, Department of Agriculture & Farmer Welfare, Krishi Bhawan New Delhi

Sub: Lok Sabha Unstarred Admitted Question No. 5043, for 01.04.2025 on Farmers Producer Organizations.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter dated 27.03.2025 on the above subject. In this regard, point wise reply is furnished as below:

Question	Reply so far as SFAC is concerned
(a) the number of Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) formed so far, and which are functional under the "Scheme of formation of 10,000 FPOs", State/UT-wise;	All 10,000 FPOs are registered under CSS "Formation and Promotion of 10,000 Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)" across the country; List of FPOs as of now is attached as annexure 1.
(b) whether the proposal for creation of new FPOs under this scheme are under consideration of the Government, (c) if so, the number of new FPOs proposed to be included and the criteria of their selection, Statewise;	No such information is available.
(d) whether more than one FPO can be formed in a block as per Government directives;	Under 10,000 FPOs scheme, 10k FPO are formed in the 7028 blocks of the country. Hence, there is formation of multiple FPOs in some of the blocks. FPOs registered under special category have been formed in the block where
(e) if so, the selection criteria for the same;(f) the number of blocks in which more than one FPO has been recognized under this scheme; and	normal FPOs have been formed. 2343 Blocks are there in which more than one FPO has been formed under this scheme
(g) the measures taken by the Government to ensure effective implementation and sustainability of these FPOS?	Under the overall guidance of Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Govt. of India, the scheme is being implemented through 14 Implementing Agencies ensuring pan India implementation and support to the scheme.
	Under the scheme, the FPOs get access to funds in form of FPO management cost, equity grant and credit guarantee facility apart from capacity building trainings, market and credit linkages etc. as below:

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- Provision of FPO Management Cost of Rs. 18 lakh/FPO for 5 years for office and operational expenses.
- Provision of matching Equity Grant upto Rs. 2000/per farmer with the ceiling of Rs. 15 lakh/FPO.
- Provision of Credit Guarantee up to project loan of Rs.2.00 Crore per FPO.
- Capacity building, training and skill development of CEOs, BoDs and other stakeholders
- Further CBBOs/VCOs engaged by various IAs handhold the FPOs for 5 years which includes Business plan preparation, mobilizing equity capital, implementation of Business Plan while facilitating input management, adoption of proper and good agricultural practices through knowledge sharing, aggregation of produce, quality management, assaying, processing, packaging, supply chain development, marketing and market linkages with buyers/processors/exporters, trading, export etc as may be necessary to ensure long-term sustainability of FPOs.
- To make FPOs sustainable, FPOs are being provided with
- i) Assistance under various government schemes
- Market linkage including e-commerce platform ii) for sale of FPO products
- iii) Credit facilities to establish various agri processing through convergence.
- Input licenses & dealership such as seed, iv) pesticide and fertilizers for extending the support to the members as well as to earn revenue.
- Assistance under various government scheme v) including state government for establishing CHC.
- vi) Assistance in the wheat procurement through FCI and state government from Rabi 2025-26
- Assistance to work as CSC centres in vii) collaboration with CSC e-Governance Services India Limited under Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)
- Assistance to work with oilseed mission and viii) honey mission of Govt. of India.

Yours faithfully,

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