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To,

Under Secretary (M-II)
Department of Agriculture & Farmer Welfare,
Krishi Bhawan
New Delhi

Sub: Lok Sabha Provisionally Admitted Question Notice D. No. 7654, for 18.03.2025, on Encouraging Farmers to participate in e-NAM Platform.

Sir,

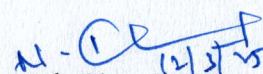
Please refer to your letter dated 06.03.2025 on the above subject. In this regard, point wise reply is furnished as below:

Sl. No.	Question	Reply w.r.t. SFAC
a)	the manner in which the Government is encouraging small and marginal farmers to participate in the e-NAM platform and the details of support being provided to ease their entry	<p>More than 1.79 crore farmers and 4392 FPOs are registered on e-NAM. e-NAM enables farmers to directly sell their produce to buyers, by passing intermediaries, which ensures better pricing and increased transparency. The platform provides access to broader markets, real-time pricing information, and e-payment systems, allowing farmers to receive timely payments. By offering quality grading, competitive bidding, and market intelligence, e-NAM empowers farmers to make informed decisions and maximize their profits.</p> <p>Two training programs are being conducted annually for all e-NAM Mandis for the farmers & other stakeholders to promote the farmers' access to the online marketplace. Till 28.02.2025 13,30,696 farmers/FPOs across India have been trained. e-NAM applications is available through web & mobile applications. Tutorial videos are available on social media platforms as well.</p>
b)	the details of steps being taken to promote interstate trading through e-NAM and address logistical challenges such as transportation and infrastructure in this regard;	e-NAM is reviewed continuously by the department to support the farmers for trade. A toll-free helpline is set up under eNAM for resolving problems faced by eNAM users including farmers. For allied services such as logistic services and warehousing services, additional module of the platform of platforms is incorporated in the e-NAM.

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c)	whether there are any plans to expand the scope of the e-NAM platform, such as integrating more commodities, value-added services, or incorporating new technology features? If so, what are the details thereof; and	<p>Till 28th Feb 2025, 231 commodities are notified for online auction on the e-NAM platform. Requests received from states for addition of new commodities are examined and appropriately decided by DMI for trading on e-NAM.</p> <p>e-NAM already provides value-added services such as assaying, weighment etc.</p> <p>In order to further strengthen and technologically upgrade e-NAM, redevelopment of e-NAM is underway wherein provision is there for integrating microservices, assaying services, logistics, payment services, etc.</p>
d)	the manner in which the Ministry plans to ensure the expansion of e-NAM benefits farmers in smaller and more remote areas, ensuring that they have equal access to market opportunities and technological advancements?	<p>As per the current e-NAM guidelines, states themselves identifies mandis to be integrated with e-NAM and send DPR proposals for mandi integration to the ministry. Therefore, states can get more APMC yards onboarded on the e-NAM portal for expansion of e-NAM benefits to farmers in smaller and more remote areas. One time grant of Rs. 30 Lakhs is being provided to the States / UTs for each mandi integrated with e-NAM for purchase of hardware, internet connection, assaying equipment and related infrastructure. Additionally, Rs. 40 lakhs per mandi is also provided for the purchase of cleaning, grading and packaging and related infrastructure/facilities.</p>

Yours faithfully,


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