

No: SFAC/43/Parl.Qus/2024-25 /1446  
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To,  
Under Secretary (M-II)  
Department of Agriculture & Farmer Welfare,  
Krishi Bhawan  
New Delhi

**Sub: Request for inputs for framing reply for the Lok Sabha Question Dy. No. 9739 to be answered on 17.12.2024 regarding 'Initiatives to support Farmers'-reg.**

Sir,

Please refer to your mail letter dated 11.12.2024 on the above subject. In this regard, point wise reply is furnished as below:

Sl. No.	Question	Reply so far as SFAC is concerned
a)	the details of measures that the Government if taking to reduce market volatility and provide farmers with effective market linkages and real-time price information to protect them from price exploitation;	e-NAM was launched in 2016 to create a unified national market for agricultural commodities. e-NAM is currently used by more than 17 million farmers and more than 4000 FPOs.  e-NAM enables farmers to directly sell their produce to buyers, bypassing 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.
b)	the manner in which the Government addressing the impacts of climate change and natural disasters on agriculture, and the details of the support systems in place to mitigate crop losses and livestock mortality;	Ministry May Reply
c)	the details of initiatives which are being implemented to improve farmers' access to agricultural extension services, modern technologies and scientific	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. E-NAM application is available through web & mobile application.

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	research tailored to their specific needs;	Tutorial videos are available on website and social media platforms as well. Benefits to farmers: (a) Access to better price discovery (b) access to more markets (c) quick payment (d) information about better price and access to more mandis.
d)	the details of the Government plans to enhance farmers' involvement in policy-making processes to ensure that policies are more responsive to their challenges and needs; and	Ministry May Reply
e)	the details of the programs which are in place to provide training, knowledge dissemination and affordable technology solutions to help farmers adopt innovative and sustainable agricultural practices?	Ministry May Reply

Yours faithfully,

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