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Dated 20.03.2025

To,

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

Sub: <u>Lok Sabha Provisionally Admitted Question Notice D. No. U3439, for 28.03.2025, on Agricultural Market Access and APMC Reforms-reg.</u>

Sir,

Please refer to your letter dated 18.03.2025 on the above subject. In this regard, point wise reply is furnished as below:

SI. No.	Question	Reply
a)	Whether any roadmap prepared by the Ministry to bridge the gap of approximately 34,000 additional markets required to meet the National Commission on Farmers' (2006) recommendation of a market within 5 km of farms.	Ministry may reply
b)	State-wise percentage of APMC mandis integrated with e-NAM that have basic infrastructure like cold storage and weighing facilities;	As on 28 th Feb 2025, 1466, APMC are integrated with e-NAM portal. State wise list of e-NAM mandis is mentioned in the Annexure-I. 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.
c)	Whether any steps being taken to accelerate the expansion of e-NAM to cover more APMC markets, especially in states with low adoption	As per the current e-NAM guidelines, states themselves identify 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.

Yours faithfully,

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