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To,

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

Sub: Rajya Sabha Provisionally Admitted Question Dy. No. U1373 for 28/07/2023 - request for inputs

Sir,

Please refer to your mail letter dated 25.07.2023 on the above subject. In this regard, point wise reply is furnished as below:

S. No	Question	Reply from SFAC
a)	Whether Ministry is implementing Agriculture Marketing Scheme in Andhra Pradesh;	To facilitate marketing of agriculture commodities between farmer/FPO and Traders, Govt. of India has launched National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) during April 2016. As on 30th June 2023, 33 mandis of Andhra Pradesh are integrated on e-NAM.
b)	if so, aims and objectives of the scheme;	The main objectives of the e-NAM Scheme are: to promote better marketing opportunities for farmers/farmer producer organisations / sellers through online access to more buyers / markets, removal of information asymmetry between farmer and trader, better and real-time price discovery based on actual demand and supply of Agri-commodities, transparency in auction process, prices commensurate with quality of produce, online payment etc. that contribute to marketing efficiency. to establish quality assaying systems for quality assurance to promote informed bidding by buyers; to streamline marketing / transaction procedures and make them uniform across all markets to promote efficient functioning of the markets; to integrate regulated wholesale agriculture markets first at the level of the States and eventually across the country through a common online market platform, to facilitate pan-India trade in agricultural commodities

c)	Details of farmers benefited from the above scheme during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and district-wise, in AP;	The details are provided in Annexure A.
d)	Whether it is true that no funds have been released for this scheme since 2019-20;	Ministry may reply
e)	If so, reasons thereof and steps taken to release the same.	

Yours faithfully,



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