

Union Agriculture Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan virtually interacts with State Agriculture Ministers to discuss the upcoming 'Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan'

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Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan urged the states to work with the spirit of 'One Nation, One Team, One Agriculture'

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Union Minister for Agriculture, Farmers Welfare, and Rural Development, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, virtually interacted with Agriculture Ministers from various states from Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, today to discuss preparations for the upcoming '**Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan**', scheduled to take place across the country from **May 29 to June 12, 2025**. Shri Chouhan urged the states to actively participate in the campaign and work with the goal of reaching as many farmers as possible to ensure they benefit from agricultural innovations and technological interventions.



Terming the campaign, a significant step toward increasing agricultural productivity, Shri Chouhan stated that **‘Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan’** is a major initiative to transform Indian agriculture. “This is our land, our soil, and our farmers,” he said, emphasizing that the goal is to make agriculture profitable, ensure food security, and boost the production of food grains, pulses, fruits, and vegetables, while making nutritious food available to all citizens. He reiterated that agriculture is the backbone of the Indian economy, supporting the livelihoods of nearly half the population, and called for sustained efforts to secure their future while conserving natural resources for generations to come. The Minister expressed satisfaction over record agricultural production this year including rice, maize, pulses, and oilseeds and congratulated all states and their agriculture ministers for their contributions to this achievement.



Shri Chouhan emphasized that this is only the beginning and there is much more to be done. He stated that with **better coordination between institutions, departments, universities, and resources at both the central and state levels**, Indian agriculture can achieve even greater success. “Working in a coordinated and

unified manner can create miracles in farming,” he added. He underlined that the ‘**Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan**’ is an innovative initiative aligned with Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi’s ‘**Lab to Land**’ vision, aiming to bridge the gap between research and the real-life needs of farmers.



The Union Minister stressed that this campaign is dedicated to building a **developed agriculture system for a developed India**, and is a concrete step toward securing the nation’s food future. He highlighted the crucial role that state governments play in realizing this mission and urged all states to join hands in making this campaign a success through collective ownership and dedication.



The ‘**Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan**’ will be conducted through a joint effort of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare and the **Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)**. Under the campaign, **2,170 teams of scientists** will visit villages across the country to train and directly engage with farmers. The campaign will follow a **two-way communication approach** on one hand, scientists will share research and technical know-how with farmers, and on the other, they will gather insights into the challenges farmers face in the field. These findings will help guide future research efforts and provide practical, location-specific solutions.

In his concluding remarks, Shri Chouhan appealed to all states to move forward with the spirit of “**One Nation, One Agriculture, One Team**”, and to fully dedicate themselves to this innovative campaign aimed at increasing agricultural production ahead of the upcoming Kharif sowing season.

The meeting was also attended by Shri Devesh Chaturvedi, Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Dr. M.L. Jat,

Secretary (DARE) & Director General, ICAR, along with other senior officials.

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