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PLANS TO MERGE MULTIPLE EXISTING AGRICULTURAL SCHEME

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government plans to merge existing agricultural schemes into a single umbrella programme, if so, schemes proposed to be included;

(b) whether proposed restructuring of agricultural schemes involves linking central fund allocation to performance of States in implementing agricultural reforms;

(c) whether new funding framework under PM-RKVY changes the criteria and weightage for allocating funds to States, NE/Himalayan States and UTs compared to earlier system;

(d) whether merger of agricultural schemes and performance-linked funding is intended to simplify administration, improve efficiency, encourage reforms and simplify Centre–State coordination in agriculture sector and provide more cohesive framework for farmers; and

(e) if so, details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR**)**

(a) to (e): Presently, the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare are under two umbrella schemes- Pradhan Mantri -Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (PM-RKVY) & Krishonnati Yojana (KY). Expenditure Finance Commission (EFC) draft for an umbrella scheme covering Centrally Sponsored Schemes of the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare for 16th Finance Commission (FC) period has been initiated. The draft has been circulated for inter- ministerial consultations. Single umbrella scheme proposal has been initiated for greater flexibility to the States to take up need based components.

After the response of allied Ministries & NITI Aayog is received , the process involves recasting of the EFC note, if required.

Details of restructuring, funding framework, criteria & weightage for allocation of funds to States/UTs and performance linked funding will be available when the EFC note is finalized and approved, after the due consultations, as per laid down process.

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