GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH & EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1187 TO BE ANSWERED ON 3RD DECEMBER, 2024

KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRAS

1187. SHRI SANJAY UTTAMRAO DESHMUKH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the minimum number of Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) approved for a single district under the Krishi Vidyapeeth;

(b) whether there is any specific provision for starting KVK Centres for inspirational districts to improve agriculture sector;

(c) if so, the name of districts of Maharashtra which have been approved for setting up of KVKs;

(d) the number of KVK centres working in inspirational districts like Washim, Nandurban, Dharashiv and Adhi village in Raigarh of Maharashtra;

(e) whether the Government has received a proposal to start an independent KVK for Washim district;

(f) if so, the decision taken on the said proposal at present; and

(g) the time by which the new KVK centres are likely to be established in inspirational Washim district?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि और किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY)

(a) & (b): National Commission on Agriculture (1976) in its report on "Research, Education and Extension", recommended to have one KVK in each district. Opening of new KVKs in newly created districts is a continuous process as per the prescribed procedure and guidelines.

There is a prescribed set of criteria for selection of a district for harbouring a Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK). Further, the selection of Host Organization is based on the laid down qualifying parameters.

(c) to (g): At present there are 50 KVKs in the state of Maharashtra which includes the district of Washim, Nandurban, Dharashiv (Osmanabad) and Raigarh. There is no proposal to set up any new KVK in the State of Maharashtra.
