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Government of India
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
(Oilseeds Division)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

To,
The Director of Agriculture,
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, West Bengal, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam and Tripura.

Subject: Review of implementation of approved programmes under NMOOP-2015-16 –reg.

As you are aware that, as per the 1st advance estimates, 19.89 million tonnes of oilseeds production has been estimated for kharif 2015 as against the target of 22.0 million tonnes. The estimated shortfall is mainly due to deficient/delayed rainfall at the time of sowing and drought like situation during pod/grain filling stages.

2. In view of the above, additional funds have been provided to the states to cover additional area under oilseeds crops during rabi/summer 2015, and to compensate for production losses incurred during kharif 2015 to some extent. Besides, additional plans, the normal programme of Mini Mission-1 is also being implemented in your state to increase the production and productivity of oilseeds in kharif/rabi/summer season: However, the rabi area coverage under oilseeds as per crop weather watch report is not very encouraging with reported area coverage of about 74 lakh hectare as on 7th January, 2016 which is far below the normal area of 85.33 lakh hectares.

3. In order to ensure achievement of targets fixed under NMOOP, there is a need for continuous review of the implementation of normal as well as additional plans. Rabi crops are now in vegetative/flowering stages which require proper pest management and agronomic practices. During kharif 2015, incidence of yellow mosaic virus in soyabean (Madhya Pradesh) and semi-looper in Castor (Maharashtra) were observed on large scale. This is the right time to keep watch on rabi crops with special focus on incidence of insect/pest diseases and providing life saving irrigation with proper nutrition, etc wherever possible.

4. Accordingly, you are requested to review the implementation of normal and additional programme under NMOOP, and submit a consolidated up-to-date report to this Department including crop conditions, advisory issued, if any, monitoring reports, physical and financial progress, expected production and yield (district/crop-wise), etc by fax as well as e-mail (adcoilseeds-agri@gov.in/jkumar.ud@gmail).

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