F. No 7-2/ (RTI)/2019-SDDS-ES

Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
(Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare)
Directorate of Economics & Statistics
(SDDS Division)

Room no-445/A,C Wing Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi Dated 24th July, 2020

Subject: Application under Right to Information Act 2005.

Please refer to your RTI application dated 15.7.2020 having registration no. DOEAS/R/T/20/00063, received via RTI Cell on 16.7.2020 seeking information on point 1 to point 6 under Right to Information Act 2005. In this connection, it is stated that only point 1, point 2 and point 5 are related to this division.

- 2. In this regard it is informed that SDDS Division of Directorate Economics and Statistics (DES), compiles and disseminates District-wise/State-wise Land Use Statistics (LUS) comprising of three parts i.e. (i) Nine Fold Land Use Classification (which includes Forest area, Area under Non Agricultural Use, Barren and Unculturable Land, Permanent Pasture and other Grazing Land, Land under Miscellaneous Tree Crops etc, Culturable Waste Land, Fallow Lands Other than Current Fallows, Current Fallows, Net Area Sown), (ii) Irrigated Area (crop-wise & source-wise) and (iii) Area Under Crops, based on data supplied by designated State Agricultural Statistics Authorities (SASAs) for all the States / UTs in the country.
- 3. In this context, it is stated that information sought by applicant i.e. total agricultural land in India as per the year 2015-16 (latest available) is 181603 Thousand Hectare which is 55.24% of geographical area of India (328726 Thousand Hectare). The state wise information and all India level Land use statistics may be accessed with the path https://eands.dacnet.nic.in/LUS 1999 2004.htm. Also, the latest district-wise data on classification of land for all States/ UTs including the State of Haryana may be accessed with the link https://aps.dac.gov.in/LUS/Public/Reports.aspx. The Agricultural Land includes Land under Miscellaneous tree, Culturable waste land, Fallow Lands other than current fallows, Current fallows and Net area Sown. The area under agricultural uses is same as agricultural land. The information sought by applicant on other aspects is not maintained in this division.
- 4. Further, it is also stated that the collection and compilation of district-wise data on LUS for the subsequent years by the States / UTs are in progress and the same may be available in the public domain in due course.

5. First appeal, if any, against the reply may be made to the First Appellate Authority, P. Sangeeth Kumar, Adviser & Appellate Authority, Room No. 445-A, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi (e-mail: adviser.sdds-agri@nic.in, Telephone No. 011-23382236) within 30 days of this receipt.

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