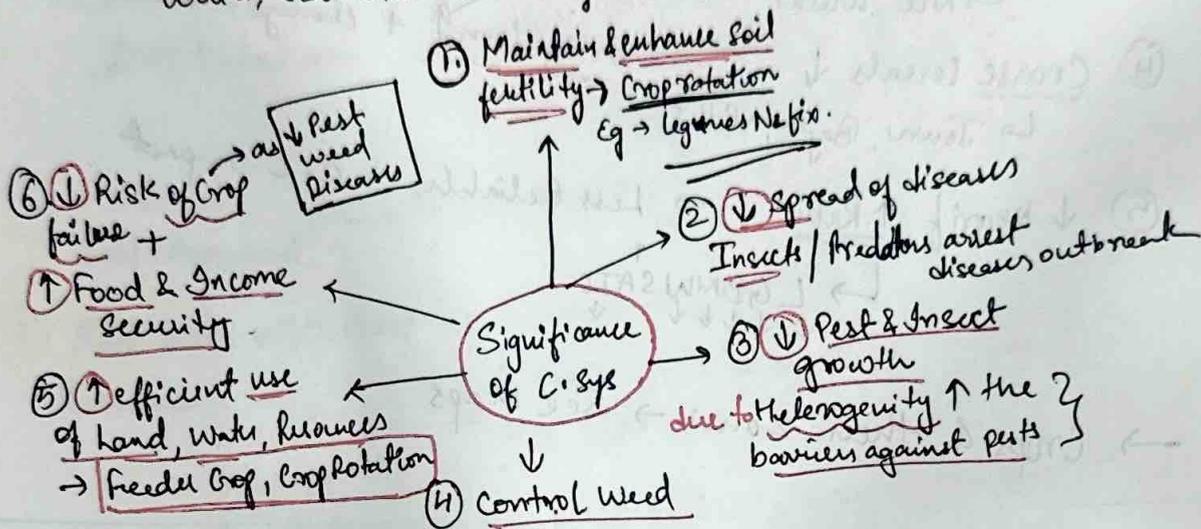


Crops & Cropping Pattern in various parts of country

→ Cropping pattern → the spatial and temporal arrangements of crops on a piece of land over a period of time.

→ Cropping systems → The cropping pattern used on farm and its interaction with farm resources like water, soil etc + management post harvest.



→ Factors Affecting C. patterns → Mainly Rain, T^c, Soil, Climate

- ① Agro related → Soil, Climate, HYV seeds, Inputs (fertilizers), Ecological stability, Labour req. (intensive/net), Mgt techniques, Rainfall
- ② Economic → Market forces, Capital/Venture capital, export chances, marketing potential, Pricing for season, Financial stability of farmer.
- ③ Govt Policy → MSP, R&D flow, Biofuel, Contract farm, Private sector needs
- ④ Size of land, literacy, Disease & Pest

Types :- 1. Mono Cropping

Adv → 2. Multi Cropping → 1. Mixed Cropping → No rows Random

① Better use of Resource & Inter cropping → Specific Rows

② Ecological +ve → Biodiversity → Row, Strip

③ Suppress weed, insect, pest ↓

④ ↑ Yield Sequence → Rice-lotus Double

→ Rice-rice-pulses → Triple

- ⑤ Ratoon Cropping leave roots
3. Alley → Tree + crops
4. Relay → Grow crops simultaneously

$$\text{Crop Intensity} = \frac{\text{Gross CA}}{\text{Net crop area}}$$

→ No of crops in a year
→ Land area × Finer Sown
↓
Just land area

→ Cropping System → is a result of Agri + Economic + Govt + Social customs, traditions, historical trend etc

→ Trends

Reason

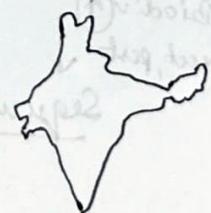
- ① Food to Non Food ^{Cash Crops} → Food Security ensured + Now profit sect.
- ② Variety of Crops → " + ↑ Commercialisation + ↑ Demand
↳ Food, Cash, Horticulture + Plantation
- ③ Cereals ↑ among food → More HYV seeds + Price Stable + Irrigat
↳ Rice, Wheat Technology
- ④ Coarse Cereals ↓ → Irrigation ↑ + change in consumption
↳ Jowar, Bajra, Millet
- ⑤ ↓ Kharif ↑ Rabi → Less Reliable + e.c impact
↳ L G B M W S A T O
 ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓

→ Crops & their zones → See Maps

Rice → > 25°C + Rainfall 100cm

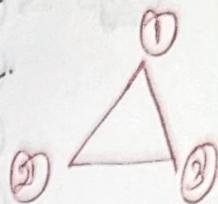
Places

North, NE Assam, Coastal + Deltaic + PJ + HR + West UP



Conservation Agriculture

* A cropping system that seeks to ensure prevention of loss to land/soil + restore degraded land.



* Based on Three Principles :- Inter-related

① Crop Diversification → ↑ Soil Nutrient/Recycling Capacity

↓
Inter Cropping or
Crop Rotation

↓ Insect, Pests
↳ waste plant ↳ Bugs

↑ Income Security → ↓ Crop failure Risk

↓ Reduce Climate Risks

② Minimal Soil Movement

→ Reduce erosion, Reduce GHG, Improve Soil Structure.

③ Soil cover with crop Residue → ↓ evaporation, ↑ soil moisture
↑ organic Decomposition → Mucous
→ Less erosion

→ Climate Smart Agriculture → ↓ GHG; Conserve Soil Moisture; Trap Soil Carbon

Green Revolution

Krishonnati Yojana → Central sponsored scheme → ⑪ sub schemes

→ Mission for Integ. Dev of Horticulture

→ National Food Security Mission + Nat Miss on oil seeds & Palm Oil

→ NM Sustainable Agriculture

→ Sub Mission on → Agriculture Extension → Support State/local bodies in food sec + others

→ Seed & Planting Material → ↑ Quality

→ Agri Mechanization →

→ Plant Protection & Quarantine

→ Integrated Scheme → Agri census, economics & stats

→ Agri Co-op

→ Agri Marketing

→ National e - Gov Plan → Improve access to farmers to info,

NeGP - A

→ Operation Greens → TOP

- objs →
- ① ↑ TOP farmers & FPO access to market
 - ② ↓ Post harvest loss → create storage, logistics
 - ③ Price Stabilisation → Farmer & consumers both
 - ④ ↑ Food Processing Capabilities
 - ⑤ Setup Market Intelligence Network

→ ZBNF → Subash Palakar

→ Bijamitra, Jeevamitra, Mulching, Waaphasa

↳ No Fertilizer, Pesticide

→ Soil Moisture ^{at}
all for
microbes to
live freely

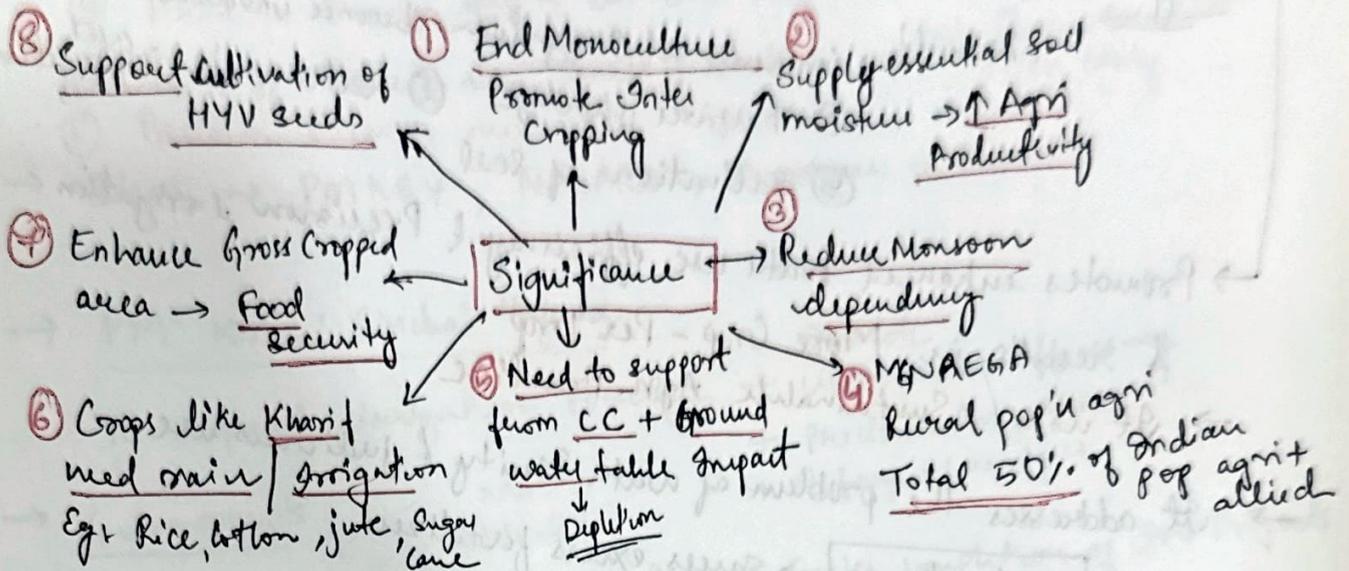
→ Features

1. Inter Cropping → Crop Diversification
2. Use of Bio-Fert & Pest → like Cowdung, Urine
3. Use Soil moisture → Mulching + Waaphasa
4. Reduce Input cost
5. Contours & Bunds to preserve Rain
6. Replenish local water Bodies
7. Replenish earthworms → ↑ organic matter in soil
8. Use of on field seeds as inputs

⇒ Kisan Rail Scheme & Op Greens

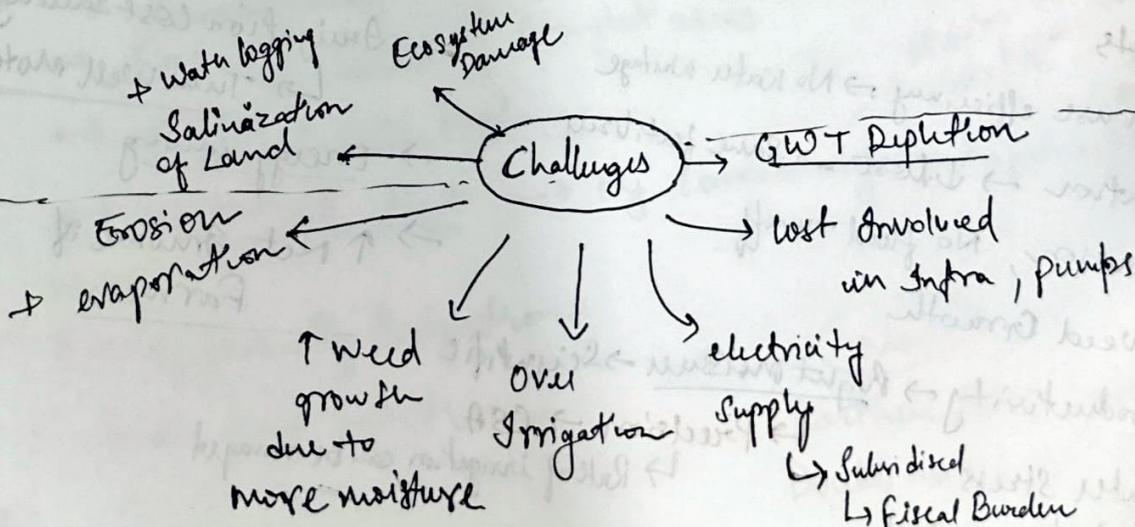
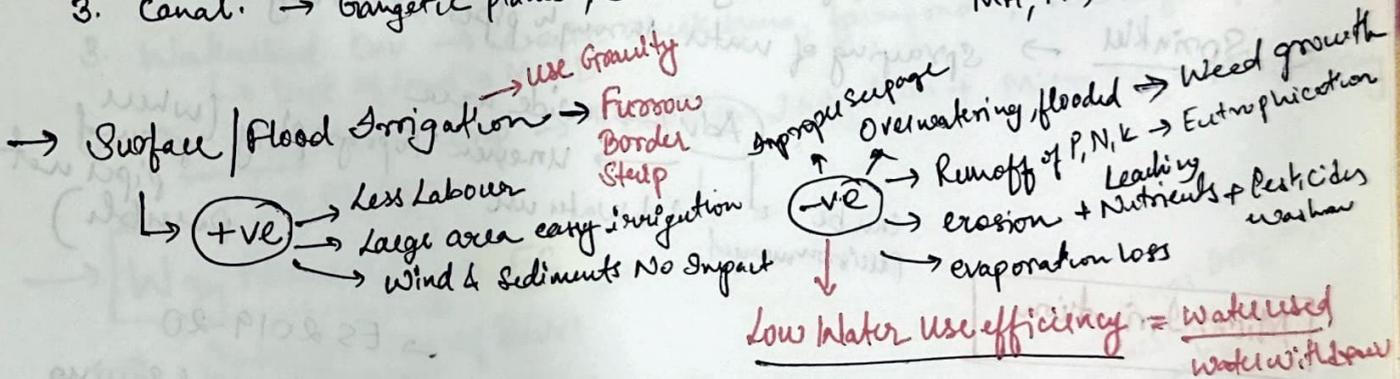
Irrigation

→ The artificial application of water to the crop at regular intervals by canals, tanks, tube wells, sprinkler etc. to enhance agricultural productivity



→ Types

1. Tanks → ^{Deccan} Peninsular + WB, Bihar, Bundel Khand
2. Wells & Tube Wells → TN, MH, AP, TL, KN, MP, UP, Punjab
3. Canal. → Gangetic plains, South & Central India → AP, KN, MH, MP, CH, OR



→ Micro Irrigation

→ refers to slow application of water on a localized volume of soil in a pre-determined pattern. to ensure **Water Use Efficiency**

Why Need? → Economic Survey 2015-16

observed → Conventional Irrigation become unviable

- ① ↑ water shortage
- ② Water waste → **over Irrigation**
- ③ Salination of soil

→ Promotes enhanced Water use efficiency & Precision Irrigation

& results in **More Crop - Per Drop**

→ It is a **Sustainable Agri Practice**

→ It addresses the problem of water scarcity & judicious use

+ **Fertigation** → saves excess fertilizers

Types

1. Drip → slow drop by drop application of water at root zone

Sub Surface

Adv → No erosion, No evap, No runoff, use for dry land farming, Fertigation

2. Sprinkler → spraying of water through pipes creating a Rain

Adv → wide area, uneven Topography (where ground pipes not possible), can be precision managed, ↓ water use

Micro Irrigation

Benefits

→ ↑ water use efficiency → No water shortage

→ Fertigation → ↓ cost → Same fertilizers

→ No erosion, No flood runoff

→ No weed Growth

→ ↑ Productivity → Right moisture → Scientific

↳ Precision → CSA

↳ Rate of irrigation can be managed

→ ↓ Water Stress

→ electricity usage ↓

→ ES 2019-20

→ Irrigation Cost saving
↳ Tube Well Motors

→ Energy saving

→ ↑ Net Income of Farmers

→ Challenges

- ① Initial cost is high
- ② Uninterrupted Power supply
- ③ Repair cost is high → No Insurance also + Maintenance
- ④ Prone to Damage due to extreme weather, Animals
- ⑤ 86% of Farmers are Small & Medium → No Farm Credit access easily
- ⑥ Precision Farming needs skills → special

⑦ Technical issues like clogging
⑧ Operational issues → wind, extreme T^c

→ Steps → PMKSY, NABARD, Awareness on Kisan TV

→ PM Krishi Sinchai Yojana

To expand irrigation coverage + Promote water use efficiency
+ Precision irrigation
+ Recharge of aquifers

→ 4 Components

1. Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Program & Faster completion of Irrigation Projects
2. Har Khet Ko Pani → Rain water harvest, Regenerate of traditional source of water like Jal Mandir (Guj), Bandhas (MP)
↓
No Jal Shakti → Divert water to Scarce areas, Groundwater Mgt
3. Watershed Dev → Create checkdams, farmponds, seepage Aquifers
↳ Dept of Land → MoRD
4. Per Drop More Crop → Precision Irrigation + Micro Irr + ↑ efficiency
↳ Mo Agri

→ Way Forward → EC

- Interlinking of River
- Encourage Pulses in Drought areas
- RWH + GW Recharge
- Watershed Mgt → by Community Participation

Mission → Minor Irrig Infor
Kakatiya → srestake tanks
Narmada
→ Odisha
Pani Pandey

NITI

- Energy friendly Irrigation
- Better Crop Selection

New

Earthen Pot Irrigation → Haryana
Double walled Pot - Jaltripti
Bikaner, G2A1

Storage, Transport, Marketing of Agri Produce & Issues & Constraints

→ **Storage** is an important market function - involve *
holding & preserving goods from **produce to consumption**

① HYV, Green Rev → ↑ Production
↑ Need to store surplus

② Ensure food security

③ ↓ Wastage due to various Reasons → **WB** → **scrap waste due to improper storage** → **food 1/3 not would pop**

④ Quality loss

⑤ employment generation

⑥ Empower rural economy

→ Ensure continuous flow of goods → **Post harvest cold storage**

→ Prevent quality deterioration → **Price stabilisation efforts**

→ Better Price Realisation to farmers

→ Meet emergency needs

→ **Need? Benefit** → **Constant supply of Raw material to FPI**

* **Buffer Stock** (4 Goals) → **Food Security**
↳ **Market Intervention**
↳ **TPDS + other schemes**
↳ **Emergency** → crop failure, disaster

↳ **PAOBIN**
↳ **PUSA Bin**

→ **Types** → ① **Underground** ② **Overground** ③ **Improved** → **Hapus Tekka**

→ **Warehousing** → is a scientific storage method to preserve Q & Q both

* **Scientific Preservation**

→ **warehouse receipt** → **Financial credit**

→ **Market Intelligence to users**

→ **Price Stabilisation**

Role

Type → **ownership** → **Public**
↳ **Private**
↳ **Bonded** → **airport seaport**

Commodity → **Food**
↳ **Refrige**
↳ **Special**

* **CWC** → **Central Warehouse Corporation** → **WCA Act, 1962** → **statutory**

↳ Provide reliable, cost effective, value added, integrated warehousing & logistics in a **Socially responsible & Environmentally friendly** manner

⑥ **Special structures to preserve hygroscopic Horticulture**

⑦ **Maintain WH clean, fumigation, etc**

⑧ **Scientific Storage of Spices etc**

Functions

① **Build Godowns, warehouses**

② **Run WH to store crop, seeds etc Fertilizers***

③ **Act as agent of govt**
Purchase, sale, distribute

④ **Product** → **Transport facilitation**

⑤ **Share** → **50% State WHC Capital**

→ State Warehouse Corp → 50% state govt
50% CWC

→ **WIDRA** → 2010, under WIDRA act 2007 → Statutory

↳ Main obj → Negotiable warehouse receipt system
↳ avoid panic, distress sale

→ **FCI** 1964 Act → statutory

- ① Price Support to Farmers
- ② Food security (Buffer stock)
- ③ PDS

- ① Decentralized → FCI
- ② Decentralised → By states
- ③ Open Market Sale
15-20% wheat of that year
12-15% Rice "

→ Procurement of Food grains

MSP
NFSA
↓
Fair Price Shops

* Every year → FCI procures Food grains & state agencies
* Open ended procurement
No limit, market distortion

"First in - first out" not followed

Issues

Excess stock → Needed as Reserves for food security
Fiscal stress

Poor Storage facilities + Inadequate Storage + Low Investment + Unscientific Mgt

"-ve" impact on training
Domino effect
excess wheat Rice

Imbalance in storage facility
Lack of warehouse in consumer states → ↑ Cost of Procurement

→ Reduce transit loss
↳ container movement

* * Shanta Kumar Committee → Reco to FCI

6 Allow private players to procure

7 Stop Fertilizer Subsidy & give DBT

8 Stop Bonus MSP

① Outsource stocking operations to EWE, WIDRA
SWE etc

② Liquidate & Monetize excess stocks in export markets
↳ automatic trigger mechanism

③ **Promote Innovation** at every stage like procurement, distribution, Stocking, Transport
↳ Reduce cost *

④ Handover procurement to states that have gained experience

⑤ Negotiable warehouse Receipts Importance

enWR + NWR

→ Cold Storage

India → 1st in Fruits, 2nd in Veg Production
but losses of about 25-30% of Produce

due to perishability

↳ Solⁿ → Cold Storage.
↳ Fruits, Veggies
↳ Dairy, flowers

→ India's diverse climate favours all crops
but cold storage is key in reaping the benefits

→ Govt Initiatives

① Under NHM (Nat Horticulture Mission) for assistance ✓

② Nat Hort Board → Capital Investment Subsidy ✓

③ APEDA → scheme for Infra Dev → pack houses
cold

④ Technology Mission to NE, Sikkim
for Integrated Dev of J&K, HP, UK
Horticulture

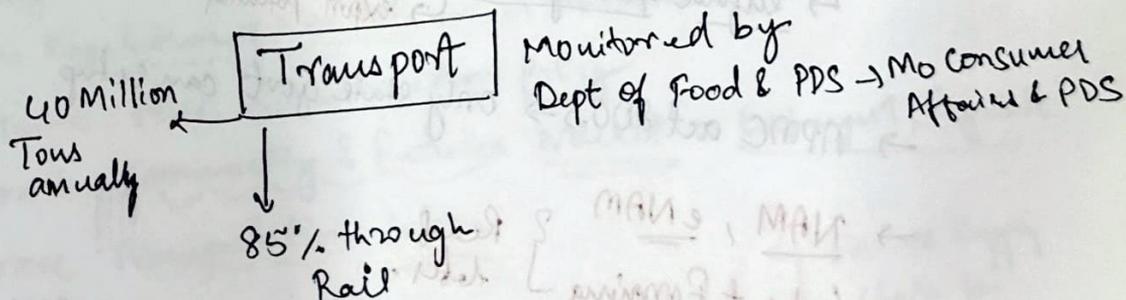
⑤ Agri Infra fund for post harvest infra

→ National Policy on Handling, Storage, Transport of Food Grains

→ Integrated Coldchain Availability Platform
↳ Reduce losses

↳ By NHB, APEDA, MoPFI

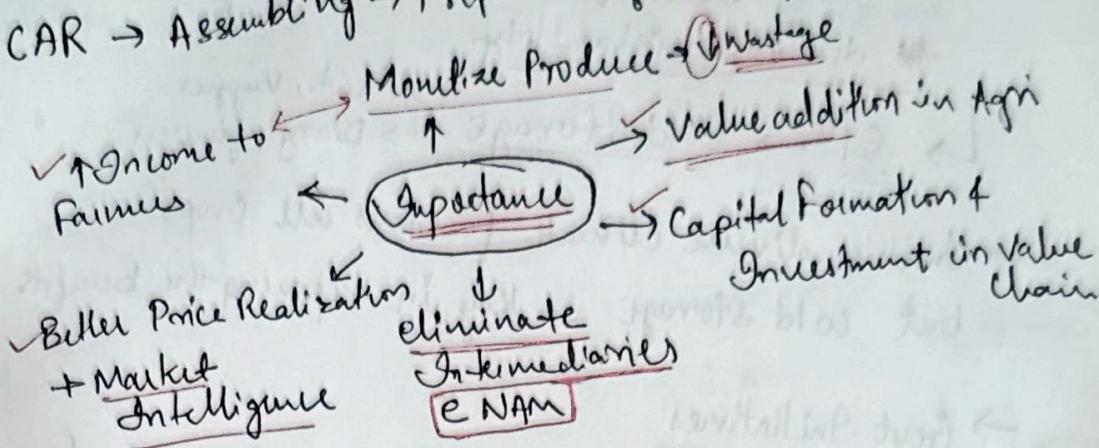
↳ National Database → link Coldchain owners
users collab



→ Agriculture Marketing

* Process of buying & sellings in market.

→ ICAR → Assembling → Preparation for consumption → Distribution



→ Types of Markets → ① Traditional

② Co-op like Arund Patkun
Kerala Horticulture Dev Progr

③ eNAM

④ FPO

⑤ Contract

⑥ Commodity Trading

SEBI
Options & Futures
MCAPDS → Nodal

→ Regulate Markets? why?

↳ Prevent farmer exploitation

↳ Better remunerative price → ↑ Reinvestment in Agri

↳ Elimination of unhealthy practice

↳ +ve production both quality + quantity

↳ ^{way to} enforce quality stds → monitor quality of produce
↳ export potential

→ APMC act 2003 → only state govt can setup

→ NAM, eNAM } Read later.

→ Contract Farming } Read later.

→ AGMARKNET → price, arrival info from APMC,

→ FPO's formed

→ Market Intelligence & Early warning system

→ Issues w.r.t Agriculture Markets

1. Institutional → License Barrier → compulsory req. to own shop/ godown issues
→ Higher incidence of Market charges (use fees)
→ No Grading Mechanism → so even good quality of Bad quality Price Realisation
2. Infra Issues → Poor Infra APMC
Poor cold storage, Yards, No grading facilities
→ Economic viability low as ROI takes time
3. Market Info System Issues
 - Lag in Demand Signals → Data not updated real time
 - Limited Info channels / content on Prices etc
↳ Newspaper, APMC Boards
 - Poor awareness about info to farmers
↳ SMS, RT voice info
4. Limited Public Inv
5. Absence of National Integrated Market → fragmented supply chain
6. Malpractices, Cartelization, middlemen → Vested interests

→ Way Forward

1. NITI AroGh →
 - ① Remove shop rule ✓
 - ② Private Mandis & Direct Markets ✓
 - ③ Take Fruits & Veg out of APMC ✓

→ Eg: Rythu Mandi AP, Bazaar
Apri Mandi → Punjab
Uzavar Samthalgal - TN
 2. Integrate Domestic & International Markets → allow free trade No Barriers
 3. Strengthen cooperative societies in Marketing → FPO's ✓
 4. Better Regulation of Markets ✓ → Middlemen
 5. Reframe Price - Stabilization Policy
 6. Promote commodity & futures Market → Exchanges ↑, Regulate
 7. Improve Transportation infra
 8. Storage infra
 9. Food Processing infra → Value addition
 10. Availability of Credit to Marketing
 11. Promote Agri Market Research
- } Entire Supply chain for Value addition

E-Technology in Agriculture

→ Agri → 18% GDP, 58% pop'n

→ Various issues → Fragmented Land holdings

→ Low productivity

→ Faulty Agriculture practices

→ Agri Marketing Issues

→ over or under production

Hence Informed Farmer can produce in a well managed, trained, ecologically sustainable manner

→ **e-tech** is use of electronic devices, satellite, mobiles, apps to disseminate information using technology

→ **e-Agri** → Role of ICT in Agri to ↑ Prod, ↑ efficiency etc

→ **Uses**

↑ Improve Skills & Productivity of Farmers by Precision Agri efficient use of agri

Facilitate linkage with Academia Govt, farmers
↑ R&D → more Innovation

Improved decision making by dissemination of relevant & timely info

- Seeds, Fertilizers, Pesticides
- Market Info → Prices, Intelligence
- Climate, Weather forecast
- Soil health, GWT,
- Schemes, New Benefits
- Agro Practices New

↳ Precision Agri
→ New Devices → AI Based
→ Advisory Services

→ Drivers of e-Agri

→ Low Cost Mobile connectivity

→ Data Penetration → Internet cheaper

→ Govt & Policy support → Digital India + Neel-A

→ R&D + Startup ecosystem → Advances in Data, ICT

→ Awareness ↑

Language Barrier

Prono to cyber attacks

Delays Lack of 100% security

Small farmers left out

Challenges → Reluctance

No Awareness

Digital In frast → Regional Disparity

Digital Divide Illitrary

→ Govt Initiatives

1. NeGP-A → ICT in Agri to develop agri
→ Kisan call centres, Agri eUnic, Common Services,
→ SMS on weather
2. Nat Agri Policy → use of tech to promote agri prod
3. Kisan SMS Portal → Info, Advisories, address queries on inputs in local language
4. Kisan Sabha → Direct Farmer-Buyer connect → eliminate Middleman
5. Crop Insurance App → (Digital India) calc Premium for crop Real Time
6. e-NAM, e-NWR (Finance credit) * → AGRISNET
7. Seednet → info on seed, (DACNET) Dep of Agri Coop
8. AGMARKNET → info on prices, availability, trends
9. KCC → queries → under NeGP-A

→ Private →

→ e choupal (ITC)
↳ Procure, info, marketing

→ Weather Based → NeGPA
↳ Gramin Krishi Mausam Seva

→ MAUSAM (Ministry of Earth Sciences)

→ Way Forward →

1. Increase access to Rural areas → ↑ Digital Connectivity
→ Infra Dev
→ use of Satellite
2. Local language use to provide info → address literacy
3. Integrate conventional comm like Radio
4. Digital education through community awareness
5. More policy support → Promote ICT across value chain → Farmer
→ Buyer
→ FPI
+ Awareness generation
6. More R & D into potential uses
↳ Devices by IITs, ICAR etc

Intro's & Conc

- The use of tech has defined 21st century
- As world move towards 94.0, Quantum Comp, IoT India has huge opportunity to reap the advantage of e-Tech in agriculture.
- e-Tech in agri is the next big step & helps in truly realizing the goal of "Atmanirbhar Bharat".
Doubling farmers income

Direct & Indirect Farm Subsidies & MSP

→ Subsidy → it is a financial support paid to provide input / income support & act as incentive to promote agri productivity. / inv. in agriculture

→ Types

1. Explicit → like DBT, Cash Transfer, or Subsidy on HYV seeds giving agri kits
2. Implicit → Not visible but hidden → by price regulation of inputs → Eg + Electricity, fertilizers, (NPK), Urea Subsidy
3. Output →
4. Food Subsidy

→ Mode of Payment → Band

→ Direct → Eg PM KISAN, DBT, Cash Transfer

Advantages

- Provide farmer with ↑ purchase power & More investment in agri
- Proper Identification of Beneficiaries (JAM) → Targeted Approach
- ↑ efficiency of Schemes
- Gives more choice to farmer on crop, type of farming or selection of quality inputs
- Behaviour change → Now farmer won't use reckless use of Power, Urea etc excess fertilizers

Reduces → reckless use of Power, Urea etc

→ Inflation

Disadvantages → Impact food security
→ No R&D in agri

- Cash misused → Purpose defeated
- May not produce intended results like ↑ Production of crop / in general also
- DBT currently leakages Fake Beneficiaries
- No Banking facility a hindrance

Indirect

cheap Credit Loans; Power Fertilizers

Adv

- Farmer Training also
- Can be specific to? Policy Tool Needs / Targets of govt
- Can be used to address development / R&D concern of Priority / Crop Diversification / Food security
- Ideal for large group (greater goal)

Disadv

- Skewed cereals
- Farmer don't realise the need to save water, judicious use of Power
- Leakages → NPK, SoB black market
- Misuse by beneficiaries
- Heavy fiscal Burden
- Cannot be target population Band.

→ Issues Related to Subsidies & Solutions

Fiscal Skewed to Cereals
 Fake beneficiaries
 Misuse → Black
 Env concerns
 Political agenda → Welfare Priority
 Loan waivers
 Indiscriminate Urea B.S
 Wastage of Resources
Inequalities ↑
 WTO concern

1. High fiscal Burden
Rs crore
2. Excessive use of Resources like GW, Power,
3. Env Effect & Soil fertility
Recd NPK (4:2:1), used as (6:7:12:4:1)
Bioaccc, Biomag
4. No benefits to target group
5. Cereal Centric, Regional Based + Input Intensive
6. Better use of Credit / Interest Subsidies
7. Loan waivers → Political / electoral gains
8. Indiscriminate use of Price Subsidies

Will healthy credit culture

Better targeting of only needed ones using JAM

Provide power only few hours a day / Shift to DBT / use technology
 ↓
 Shanta Kumar

NBS scheme + awareness + soil health cards +
 Neem coated + Nano Urea (100%)

Use Aadhar Authentication Financial inclusion
 Crop diversification + Organic + ZBNF + Horticulture + Integrated Farming

Credit culture + No politically motivated waivers

DBT → e-Urasak Portal

→ MRP of Urea fixed by Govt (1st) → Excise cost to produce 20,000 MRP by govt 5000Rs Govt pay 15000Rs

→ MRP of Non Urea by companies → Centre pay flat per tonne subsidy
 → DAP → 2nd (P 46%)
 → MOP → (K 46%)

NBS Scheme (Dept of Fertilizers, MoCF)

To promote use of P, K also → NPKS + other secondary also except Urea *

→ Issues

- Fiscal Stress
- Black Market by Bulk Buyers (smuggled to Ban, Nepal)
- Urea Not included → cheaper → ↑ use than before
- Import → CAD ↑

PM - KISAN (Mo Agri & Farmers Welfare)

- PM KISAN APP
- ↳ 100% Centre C. Sector Scheme
 - ↳ Small & Medium Farmers (8.5cr) → 6000rs (2 months) 2Krs
 - ↳ extended to all landholding farmer
 - ↳ excluded many Taxpayers Inst Farmers, etc

PM. Bharatiya Jan Urvarak Pariyojana

One Nation - one Fertilizer (MoCAF)

- 1/3rd share company details of BH Urea, DAP, MOP, NPK all
- Rest 2/3 Bharat logo } Both Private & Public Corp

PM - PRANAM → (Dept of F&T)

- ↳ alternative Nutrients
- ↳ use of Bio + organic fertilizers
- ↳ Same fund to fertilizers

PM - KUSUM

- India & WTO Agriculture Subsidies
- Focus on Capital Investment →
- Sunset clause for subsidies with strict targets & goals

Benefits

- Income Stability
- Investment Support → small farmer
- Improve HDI due to ↑ Income
- Food Security of Nation by ensuring Production
- Can be a policy tool → Crop diversification
- ↓ Inequalities
- National goals → SDG → Eg KUSUM Solar clean zero Hunger

MSP → 22 crops + FRP Sugarcane
 ↳ Cereals 7
 ↳ Oilseeds 8 + Jute + Copra
 ↳ Pulses 5
 Price given by govt

CACP
 ↓
 COEA

→ MSP is the minimum guaranteed price to provide the farmer with income security during bumper production or fall in demand.

→ Also to provide min profit to promote Investment in agri → ↑ Productivity

→ History → ① To Promote green Rev → ↑ Surplus → ↑ Bumper
 ② Food security + Economic access of food to all

→ Logic → Twin obj of
 ↳ Induce fresh Investment from profit
 ↳ Economic access of food
 ↓
 ↑ Produce
 ↑ Food Security

→ Benefits of MSP

Most imp is enables farmer to escape Low Income Trap by

① Inject Certainty & confidence among farmers by advanced information + help in informed choice by cost-benefit analysis → Decide on crop

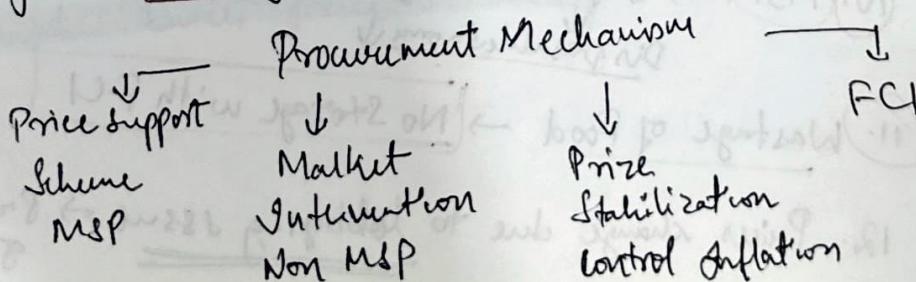
② Prevent Distress Sale → MSP
 ↳ Low Income → Low Invest → Low Produce → Low Income
 ↳ Poverty Trap
 ↳ Trap Vicious cycle

③ MSP support as anchor to Benchmark agri commodity market

④ MSP → ↑ Food Prod → Control Inflation
 ↳ ↓ Import → ↓ CAD → Fiscal Strength *
 ↳ Investment in other sectors

⑤ Inflation → ↑ Disposable Income → Spend on other sectors → Growth ↑

⑥ Helps guide Cropping patterns → as a policy tool for desired outcome
 ↳ Eg food & Nutri Security



→ Issues with MSP → More of Procurement for PDS than support

1. Unequal access & poor targeting → Procurement from few states & Big farmers → SMF left out
95% wheat from P, H,

Rural Areas & Backward areas left out

2. Procurement Issues

No regulation on NAFED/FCI on wheat to procure

So confined to big towns & cities + Big farmers + Cereal Centric procurement other crops on paper

⊗ → Decentralised procurement not much success

3. Deter Crop Diversification

only cereals high MSP → So import of other Oil seeds, pulses → CAD ↑

⊗ { → "Focus on Food security only + Hidden Hunger" * Not on Nutritional security

4. Distortion of Free Market

Open ended procurement → Inflation → Farmers profit ↓ when supply excess

5. Other sectors loose out Investment

Capex formation poor

6. Flaw in PDS → other cereals like Jowar neglected → food of poor

7. Fiscal Squeeze → lesser inv on other sectors

8. Faulty criteria in MSP calc due to lack of accurate data

9. MSP ↑ → More Procurement → Increase in food subsidy

↓ Economic Growth

↔ No Investment in other sectors

↓ Fiscal Deficit → Crowd out Private sector

10. MSP ↑ → Inflation ↑ → Disposable Income ↓

11. Wastage of Food → No Storage with FCI

12. Prices change due to lobbying issue → Pressure groups

Issue with

High MSP

→ Politics of higher MSP

→ Lobbying by 'Bullock capitalists' → Pressure groups
+ coalition politics

→ Critical Evaluation of MSP :-

Although MSP has played a remarkable role in success of green revolution, food security from food shortage, making agriculture a profitable venture.

At the same time as noted by ES it is skewed towards big farmers thereby lead to ↑ income disparity among farmers spatially & size.

Also in favour of cereals → No Nutritional security

+ Net exporter of water + Import of oil, pulses
lead to LAD ↑.

As noted by CAG → no norms followed in MSP leading to year on year variations → CAG stressed on greater transparency in method of fixing MSP.

→ More importantly as noted by NITI Aayog India@25

MSP is only a partial solution to remunerative returns. A long term sol'n lies in creation of

competitive stable, unified national market to

enable better price discovery

→ Reforms in MSP

NITI New India @75

1. Replace India's MSP by Minimum reserve price which could be starting point for auction in mandis
2. Replace CAP by Agri Tribunal → A-823B
3. ↑ Crop Diversification

Other

→ Shanta Kumar Com

→ ③ let private sector procure

① * Govt to give priority to protein rich crops like pulses + oil → Higher MSP

② * Also FC procure from smaller land holding

→ 2nd → Green Revolution here (States like UP, Bihar + CH)

③ Decentralised Procurement

To procure from remote farmers in villages not towns

+ Nutritional security priority

+ PDS → include pulses (1st CH did it)

④ Stop Bonus MSP

⑤ Computerisation of entire food management from procurement to storing to PDS + use of ICT

→ Other → MSP for Nutrition security → Coarse cereals, pulses, oil seeds

↳ steps to diversify agri acts like animal husbandry, Horticulture
Integrated farming

⑥ NWR should be scaled up → so that farmers sell to private & burden of cost of storing reduce to FC

PDS → Object
Functioning
Limitations
Revolving

↓
M. C. A. R. F. P. D.

→ PDS is a social security program for the distribution of food grains & other essentials to the vulnerable sections through FPS at issue price or subsidised price

→ It was working since 1960's but rationalised as TPDS to poor (BPL) → NFSA, 2013

→ Rationale / Imp → is essential to fortify food &

① Nutritional security of nation by ensuring

② social & economic access to food grains.

③ → Right to Food is a FR → PUEL vs UOI

④ + address SDG 2 → Abolish Hunger.

Farmer
↓ Sell at MSP
Center (FCI)
↓ Central Issue price
State CIS
↓
Fair price at CIS of
Shops even
subsidised
price

→ Objectives :-

→ Provide consumer goods & food at affordable

→ Food & Nutritional security of Poor

→ Impact of Food Inflation

→ Maintain Buffer stock → In the event of fluctuation

→ MSP + Income security to farmers

→ Redistribution from surplus to deficit states

→ Issues related to PDS/TPDS :-

1. Diversion & Leakage → of food grains during Adulteration
transport or Black marketing by FPS owners

Sol → De-Privatisation of Ration & Doorstep Delivery
of grains to FPS by Shops by Chattisgarh govt addressed
this issue

NSEO 2011-12
↓
46.7%
Diversion of
PDS grains

2. Identification of Beneficiaries - Huge inclusion & exclusion errors, NSSO - 63% poor excluded.

Along with this problem of fake ration cards & Ghost Beneficiaries

Targeting is diff → Universal PDS | Behavioural change like LPG giving

3. Food Subsidy Bill huge

Low Issue Price → Above Povertyline → Excluded APL → FCI → Grains Economic cost of holding ↑
↓
Food Subsidy ↑
Open ended procurement

4. Food Grains Poor Quality

↳ Due to Blackmarketing + Adulteration

Hence APL don't buy

5. ✓ Delays in arrival + Irregular supply + Storage → CAB found poor storage

6. Urban Bias, Storage issues, import Bill during shortage, etc + Damage due to poor handling → Pest, loss etc.

7. Structural issues in FCI + Centre state relationship

8. Environmental → Ground water depletion, excessive fertilizers
Issues due to excess procurement → Green Revolution

9. Open ended procurement + No "First In, First Out" followed
↳ Shortage in open market

* Shanta Kumar → Recd ✓ ✓ Important
Comm

10. No Nutritional Security

Cash Transfers
Induced to inflation

PDS Reforms / Revamping

JH

→ In the era of Digital India, "ICT" should be capitalised to plug the loopholes. CH & TN PDS models are worthy emulating Pan India

Aadhar linked Ration
 → ↑ Transaction cost for Beneficiaries
 → Leakages Not reduced but denied Ration to 10% genuine beneficiaries

① * CH has done

- * GPS tracking of vehicles PDS → Unattached Division
- * SMS Based monitoring → Enable citizen to monitor TPDS dispatch
- * Door step delivery → curb leakages
- * De Privatisation of Ration shops → run by SHG, Coops
- * Aadhar linked Ration cards → Double Benefits
- * e-POS + Aadhar authentication

Shanta Kumar Lomen
 → End-to-End Computerisation of PDS & FPS

② → DBT or Food coupons

③ → Digitization of Ration Cards

④ → Universal PDS / UB Income

→ All these reforms should be replicated in ALL STATES

} Alternatives

to realise the noble goal & purpose of PDS

& moreover a proactive role of PRI, SHG, NGO's

& effective "social Audit" → is needed to ensure

transparency.

→ DBT / DCash Transfer vs PDS

→ Shanta Kumar Lomen aadhar

→ use PMJDY + Aadhar
 → zero → gradual DCT using JDY accounts
 → In Name of house

- * Adv of DCT
 - Food Subsidy Bill ↓ (Storage, Proc, Trans) cost ↓
 - Autonomy to beneficiaries
 - Financial Inclusion + Better targeting

- * Disadv of DCT
 - No protection from Price Volatility
 - Diversion to Non Food → Impact Main purpose
 - No Bank, ATM access

Universal PDS → Includes Migrants, worker
 → Inclusion errors
 → But cost of food subsidy ↓ / same
 → Persuade well off to give up Subsidy like LPG
 → UPDS^U lacks element of "Affirmative action"

Buffer Stock by CCEA

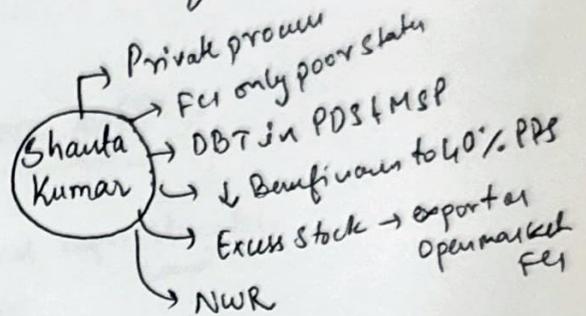
→ System / Scheme that maintains reserve of food grains

- for
 - Food Security
 - TPDS → source of food to all welfare schemes
 - Market Intervention → Price control → Release in open market
 - Disaster preparedness
 - Income security

→ Critical Evaluation

- ① Open ended Procurement → Storage, Handling costs ^{No capacity}
- ② Dual obj → Food sec + remunerative price
- ③ Inventory management & SEM challenges → Leakages
- ④ Inefficiencies in TPDS
- ⑤ High logistics cost
- ⑥ Wastage in Storage, transport

Food Security

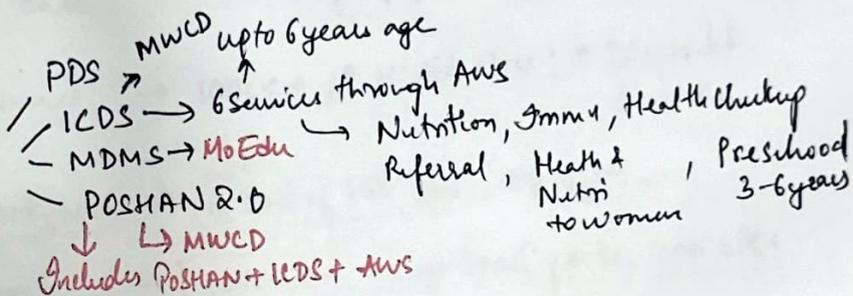


→ Defⁿ

→ Challenges

→ Benefits

→ Schemes



→ NFSA, 2013 → food → welfare to Right based

75% R to receive (TPDS) 50% U

Features

- ① Individual entitlement 5kg of W, R, coarse ^{3L 2Rs 1Rs}
- ② 35kg to family AAY
- ③ Special focus on children, Women, Adolescent girls nutritional needs → + Pregnant woman → 6000Rs →
- ④ MDM, take home ration, → 14 years
- ⑤ Grievance redressal mech

→ PM. Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana provides extra 5kg on Normal 5kg

↳ Min of Finance

Just Park
Manufacture

FPI → Sunrise Industry

→ FP → is the transformation & qualitative upgradation of agri, horti, dairy, fisheries products through systematic process like grading, ~~sterilizing~~, packaging etc. & value addition

→ FPI is a crucial link b/w agriculture (Primary sector) & Industry (Secondary)

→ FPI gained significance post green revolution & peaked post 1990 & 2000's.

→ India's Potential / Strength factors / Scope for FPI :-

- ① Potential Raw Material Base → Due to varied / Diverse agro-climatic land + huge popⁿ on agri
- ② Wide Consumer Base → 100cr+ ; ↑ Middle class ; ↑ Disposable Income
- ③ Cheaper Workforce → ↓ Cost of FPI ops ; ↑ Profits ✓
- ④ Govt Support → SAMPADA, Mega food parks, 100% FDI ✓
- ⑤ R&D Support & Dev → Inst like National Dairy Research Inst, Central Food Tech
- ⑥ ↑ Focus on Robust National Logistics Policy + SCM. + Multi-modal logistic parks etc
- ⑦ Export Competitiveness → Low cost, high quality + Globally connected markets
↓
Ready Markets for Indian products
Eg:-
- ⑧ Scope for Development → Large untapped potential

→ Status of FPI in India

* FPI is at nascent stage with just 2% of Fruits & Veg processed & 35% milk & 21% meat

* Aggregate FPI is 10% (China 40%, Brazil 70%)

* FPI → 5th largest industry
→ — % of GDP

→ Potential to contribute 9mn Jobs by 2024

→ Acc to Confederation of Indian Industry → FPI has potential to bring \$ 33bn

→ Significance :-

1. Double Farmer Income → Income protection } → Reduce Migration
2. Income diversified
3. Crop diversification ✓ → Horti + Dairy +
4. Address Nutritional Sec → MalNutrition → fortified foods
5. Reduce food wastage (↓) → Post harvest loss in India 90,000 Cr
6. Food Inflation Control → ↑ Shelf life → Demand = Supply
7. Export Potential → ↑ Quality + ↑ Shelf life
8. Jobs → employment → Nonfarm employment
9. Women empowerment → Agri, Horti, Ani → mostly women entrepreneur
10. FDI → investments → Boost growth

currently
≈ 10% of
India's exports

2nd → Fruits & Veg
1st → Milk
↓
But
National Milk
Safety & Quality
Survey - PSSAI
↓
37.7% milk
adulterated

→ Supply chain of FPI :-

- FPI → Primary → refining agri → wheat to flour
- ↳ Secondary → Basic value add → processing, coffee
- ↳ Tertiary → High value add → Jam, Sausages, RTM

→ Upstream ops → material flow into org / manufacturer

- Include → search for Rawmat
 ↳ farmer link, Storage godown
 ↳ Quality facilities

Backward linkages
Inbound logistics

→ Downstream → Flow from org to out

Forward / out bound linkages
logistics

- Include → cust, storage, exports
 Retailer, testing

→ Significance

- Encourage farmer to grow quality produce
- Remunerative price
- ↓ Food wastage
- ↳ Food in market → Timely
- Export

Challenges

- Small Land holding
- Seasonal Raw Material
- Intermediaries, broker
- Logistics poor, Transport
- Storage poor, electricity
- Unorganised sector ↑

Marketing
 No cold chain infra
 Inadequate S, T, Warehouse
 → Low export potential
 Poor Testing Net

Infra Bottlenecks

Fragmented Land holding
 ↑
 Supply Side
 ↳ Fertilizer Pesticides excess
 ↳ Seasonality of Raw
 ↳ Less Backward linkages
 ↳ Low Crop Div

Challenges

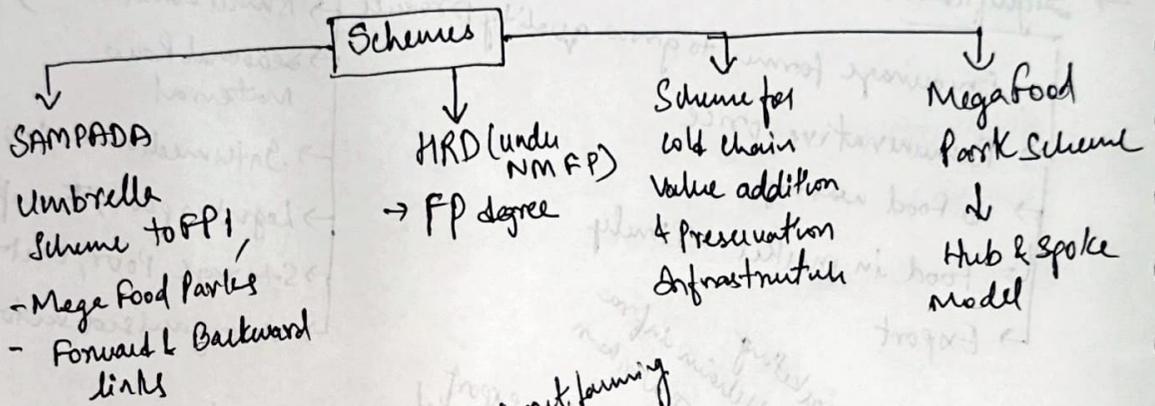
75% Unorg Sector
 ↑
Regulatory Deficiency
 ↓
 Multiple Legislation
 Pending Reforms

Poor Technology
 ↓
Low Value addition

Poor Economics of Scale
 ↳ 90% FPI are small
 ↳ No Tech Investment, R4D & Brand building
 No Training
 → Poor Credit access

Govt Initiatives in FPI :-

1. National Mission on Food Processing → Address Brst & Infra issues
New Tech, ↓ wastage
2. Financial → FPI in PSLNbrms
↓ 100% FDI → FPI under NABARD
3. One of 25 focus areas under "Make in India"
4. NIFTEM, CIPHET, IIFPT, ICAR → Specialised Insts
5. Ensure → PSSAI → monitor & issue std's
Quality
6. TRIFOOD
7. One Nation One District - one Product



→ Way Forward

1. Agricultural Reforms → Crop div, Mixed farming, Organic, HYV
2. Infrastructure → Storage, Cold, Logistics
3. National Logistics policy
4. Promote Contract farming → Boost Backward linkages + Corporate farming
5. Technology upgradation in FPI + high value addition
6. Streamline regulation → APMC Act, Single window clearance,
7. Implement Draft National Food Processing Policy
8. Enable Credit access
9. Behaviour / Mindset change in stakeholders involved

Animal Rearing

- Associate Business w/ Agri
- Cont → 4% GDP & 25% Agri GDP & 8% Employment
- Critical component in Mixed, Integrated farming
- Biogas - Gobardhan
- Foxes → 2nd in Beef exports; Wool, leather huge potential

→ Benefits to farmers

1. Alternative source of Income - Mowing Bank
2. Food & Nutrition source to farmer family
3. Social security to landless farmers
4. Draft power → Animals
5. Source of fertilizers - Bio-fertilizers; Biogas
6. Resilient to climate change

→ Component of Inclusive growth

1. Combats Malnutrition and hunger
2. Provides self employment
3. Women Empowerment
4. More Equitable than Land
5. Reduce Poverty → economic empowerment

Conc → In a country where 50% population is dependent on A/
there is need to diversify risk, promote livestock which
ensures Income, Nutritional security & promotes exports also

→ Challenges

1. Frequent outbreak of diseases Eg + Lumpy skin, Foot & Mouth
2. Yield & Productivity issues → 50% of global average
3. Methane emissions → Livestock contribute 14.5% of GHG
4. Lack of technological advancements → Limited Artificial Insemination
5. Funding issue → only 12% of agri exp channelised to AR
6. Poor insurance coverage + Poor Veterinary health care
7. Market access → underdeveloped / connectivity
8. Informal sector → unregistered slaughterhouse → Poor Price realisation
9. Lack of quality checking or standardization of animal products

→ Measures / Way forward

1. Feed & Fodder Security → high yield fodder seeds, wastelands for fodder
2. Bank Credit & Insurance
3. Boost Cold chain infra → as perishable nature of dairy, meat
4. Increase public spending
5. Veterinary services to be strengthened & vaccination
6. R & D
7. Follow Codex Alimentarius Standards
8. NITI India @ 75 → Promote genetically superior breeds
↳ Capacity Building for Farmers & fish breeders using Technology
↳ Establish village level procurement for better SEM

→ Govt steps

1. Dairy Processing & Infra fund to enable Milk processing capacity
2. Animal Husbandry Infra development fund
 - ↳ capital availability to farmers
 - ↳ Private Investment
3. National Animal Disease Control programme
 - NADCP ↳ Eliminate Foot & Mouth by 2030
4. KISAN RAIL & UDAN → connectivity
5. MNREGA to develop fodder farms
6. Artificial Insemination → ↑ to 70% from current 30%
7. E-Pashu Haat to connect breeders & farmers → Quality Bovine Germplasm
8. Rashtriya Gokul Mission → sustain extreme climate
 - ↳ conserve Indigenous Cattle
9. Dairy Extension Services ✓
10. GOBARDHAN ✓
 - ↳ Obj
 - ↳ Modernise sector using technology
 - ↳ Inclusive growth
 - ↳ Generate employment
 - ↳ ↑ Food production
 - ↳ way forward

→ Challenges

1. Poor quality fish seed
 2. obsolete technology
 3. Depleting Inland water
 4. Unsustainable practices
 - Eg Blast fishing
 5. Lack of Extension staff
 - & limited knowledge of farmers
 6. Poor Post harvest infra - ^{No} cold chain
 7. Absence of standardisation & branding of fish
 8. ~~Out~~ dated fishing vessels
1. Promote FPO in fish sector
 2. Develop post harvest infra
 3. Promote sustainable fishing
 4. Integrated farming eg Rice in Kerala
 5. Modern ways
 - 'Biofloc'
 6. Upgrade fishing vessels & Mapping of fishing zones using GAGAN