



1 lakh Farmers in the state will get Grants for Fencing

Why in News?

On 22 April 2023, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved the proposal of financial provision of Rs 444.40 crore for fencing of 4 crore meters to one lakh farmers of the state to save crops from stray animals.

Key Points:

- Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has given consent to dispose of all the pending applications under the Rajasthan Crop Protection Mission in two years.
- He has also approved the proposal to reduce the minimum limit for fencing to 0.50 hectares due to the small holding size of the farmers of Scheduled Tribe areas.
- Community participation in fencing will now get more grants than before. In this, the grant amount has been increased to 70% for fencing of a minimum of 5 hectares to a group of 10 or more farmers.
- In the financial year 2023-24, about Rs 444.40 crore will be spent on grants for fencing. Of this, Rs 391 crore will be borne from the Farmers Welfare Fund, and Rs 25 crore from the state scheme 'Grant for crop protection through fencing'. The remaining Rs 28.40 crore will be spent on the National Food Security Mission (state share Rs 11.36 crore).
- It is worth mentioning that in the budget year 2023-24, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot had announced to continue the fencing under the Rajasthan Crop Protection Mission.

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