

**GS-III Transport and Marketing of Agricultural Produce and Issues and Related Constraints**

**1. The Challenges faced by Agriculture Sector underlines an urgent need for Innovations brought via Partnerships between private and public sectors. Comment**

**Why this Question?**

- A public-private partnership (PPP) is a long-term cooperative arrangement between two or more public and Private Sectors.

**Key Demands of Question:**

- Explain the various challenges faced by the agriculture sector in India.
- Explain in brief about the Public Private Partnership Model.
- Discuss the need and significance of the Public Private Partnership in Agriculture.

**Directive Word:**

**Comment:**

- When you are asked to comment, you have to pick main points and give your 'opinion' on them based on evidences or arguments stemming from your wide reading.
- Your opinion may be for or against, but you must back your argument with Evidences.
- These Types of question offer you a chance to consolidate your reading of different subjects to justify your opinion.

**Structure of Answer:**

**Introduction:**

- Give a brief intro about the agriculture sector and its importance. Mention any statistical data to signify the importance.

**Body:**

- Explain the various challenges faced by the agriculture sector in India. For example, low income for farmers, market, lack of credit, etc.
- Explain the concept of public private partnerships.
- Discuss the need for the public private partnerships in agriculture sector.
- Explain the implications of PPP in agriculture. For example, bring innovation, new technology, etc.
- Highlight the government steps taken in this regard like proposed Model APMC act, etc.

**Conclusion:**

- Conclude with need and significance of the Innovations in the Agriculture Sector.