

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1934**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23/12/2022

**FRUIT PLANTATION IN MAHARASHTRA**

1934. DR. ANIL SUKHDEORAO BONDE

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total area of land in hectares brought under fruit plantation during last one year and current year in Maharashtra;
- (b) the details of funds allocated to various States for this purpose along with the amount spent thereon during the said period in Maharashtra;
- (c) the name of States in which the allocated amount could not be fully utilized, along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether Government has taken any initiative to expedite the plantation of fruit trees; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): Under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), i.e. a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for the holistic growth of the horticulture sector, an area of 47.86 hac. has been brought under fruit plantation during last one year and current year in Maharashtra.

(b): In the Financial Year 2021-22 and current year, an amount of Rs. 369.43 crore has been allocated for area expansion of fruit crops to various states under MIDH. During the said periods, an amount of Rs. 40.99 lakhs has been utilized by SHM, Maharashtra for the area expansion of fruit crops.

(c): During FY 2021-22, due to pandemic and new fund release procedure introduced vide DoE OM 23.3.2021, the allocated amount mentioned above could not be fully utilized by any of the States.

(d) & (e): Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme is being implemented for the holistic growth of the horticulture sector covering fruits, vegetables, root & tuber crops, mushrooms, spices, flowers, aromatic plants, coconut, cashew, cocoa and bamboo. All States/UTs are covered under MIDH.

Apart from this, activities for development of horticulture are also supported under other Central Government schemes viz. Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) etc.

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