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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2106 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13/12/2024

ASSISTANCE TO STATES UNDER IHM

2106#. SMT. GEETA ALIAS CHANDRAPRABHA:

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

- (a) whether Integrated Horticulture Mission (IHM) has been launched for the overall development of horticulture in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the salient features of the mission;
- (c) whether any financial assistance is provided to the State Governments under this scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details of financial assistance provided to Uttar Pradesh under this scheme during the last five years?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) & (b): Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme implemented since 2014-15 for holistic development of horticulture in the country, covering fruits, vegetables, root and tuber crops, mushrooms, spices, flowers, aromatic plants, coconut, cashew and cocoa. All States/UTs are covered under MIDH.

The Mission envisages production and productivity improvement of horticulture crops including fruits and vegetables through various interventions. Activities such as production of planting material, vegetable seed production, coverage of area with improved cultivars, rejuvenation of senile orchards, protected cultivation, creation of water resources, adoption of Integrated Pest Management (IPM), Integrated Nutrient Management (INM), organic farming, including in-situ generation of organic inputs are taken up for development of fruits and vegetables. Capacity buildings of farmers and technicians are also provided for adopting improved technologies. Scheme also envisages creation of for post-harvest management (PHM) and marketing for better price realization of produce.

(c) & (d): Yes. The year-wise details of financial assistance provided to the State of Uttar Pradesh Government under Integrated Development of Horticulture during last 5 years is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Allocation (GoI share)	Released
2019-20	67.00	62.35
2020-21	80.00	64.16
2021-22	64.00	32.00
2022-23	60.00	44.70
2023-24	68.50	68.50