GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION & FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 207 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND JANUARY, 2018

HONEY PRODUCTION

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण ½ãâ¨ããè be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total production of honey and its allied products in the country during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the import and export of honey and honey related products during the aforesaid period;
- (c) the details of the loans, subsidies and other assistance provided by the Government to the farmers for encouraging honey production farming during the aforesaid period;
- (d) whether the Government has introduced any scheme or policy for further encouraging honey production farming among the individual farmers in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण ½ãã¨ããè (SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 207 DUE FOR REPLY ON 2ND JANUARY, 2018.

- (a): The year- wise & State-wise details of honey production for the last three years, are given at **Annexure-I**. The production of other by-products of beekeeping other than honey, (viz.; bees wax, bee pollen, propolis, royal jelly, bee venom) are estimated by this Department. The State-wise and Year-wise production of bees wax and bee pollen for last three years are given at **Annexure-II & III**, respectively. The production of propolis, royal jelly and bee venom is not undertaken commercially by the beekeepers, as the production of these products is negligible in the country and is not captured in our records.
- (b): The details of import and export of honey and bees wax for the last three years period, as per records of DGFT, are enclosed at **Annexure-IV**.
- (c) to (e): The Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India is implementing Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) for overall development of horticulture in the country. Under MIDH, among others, to promote beekeeping in the country, assistance is provided for various capacity building/HRD programmes (trainings & exposure visits of farmers/beekeepers, officers/field workers, etc., seminars/workshops, etc.), production of nucleus stock of honeybees, developing bee breeders, distribution of honey bee colonies, beehives, supers, etc. and complete set of beekeeping equipments under the component of "Pollination Support through Beekeeping". The State Departments of Horticulture/Agriculture are the implementing agencies for implementation of the Mission's programmes/components in the

State/field. National Bee Board (NBB), a society registered under Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860, has also been designated as a National Level Agency (NLA) for implementation of various activities/components for development of scientific beekeeping under MIDH.

The year-wise details of funds/subsidies/assistance provided for encouraging beekeeping/honey production for the last three years period (2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 - as on date) are given at **Annexure-V**.

Khadi and Village Industries Commission implementing Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) for promotion of Khadi and Village Industries including Honey. The details of the scheme are as under:

- i. PMEGP is the credit linked subsidy Scheme for setting up Khadi and village Industries units including honey production units by unemployed persons. The maximum cost of the project eligible for financing under PMEGP is Rs.25.00 lakhs in Manufacturing Sector and Rs.10.00 lakhs in Service Sector. Under this Scheme, any unemployed person may submit his application online. The scheme is being implemented through all Public Sector Banks, selected private sector banks and co-operative banks.
- ii.Margin Money in the form of subsidy, provided according to categories of beneficiaries and geographical location of the unit, as per following details:

Categories of beneficiaries under PMEGP.	Beneficiaries contributions (of the project cost)	Rate of subsidy. (of the project cost)	
Area (location of the project/unit)		Urban	Rural
General category.	10%	15%	25%
Special (including SC/ST/ OBC/ Minorities/Women, Ex- servicemen, Physically Handicapped, NER, Hill & Border Areas.	05%	25%	35%

DAC&FW and KVIC do not provide any loans to the farmers.

ICAR – AICRP (HB&P) having research plans to increase the genetic diversity of the existing stock of Apis mellifera to breed more efficient strains.

NBB, DAC&FW, for promotion and development of scientific beekeeping/honey production farming in the country, has decided to set up Integrated Beekeeping Development Centres (IBDCs)/Centres of Excellence (CoEs) on beekeeping in the country. 12 IBDCs/CoEs, as role model for beekeeping, have been commissioned by NBB, DAC&FW under MIDH till date in 12 States, one each in, Haryana, Delhi, Bihar, Punjab, MP, UP, Manipur, Uttarakhand, J&K, TN, Karnataka and HP.

The registration of beekeepers has also been started by National Bee Board to address the problem of traceability source of honey. NBB also provide insurance cover of Rs.1.00 lakh to all registered beekeepers.

Annexure-I

Parliament Question (LS) No. 207 on "Honey Production" due for answer on 02.01.2018

National Bee Board, DAC&FW, Government of India

State-wise & Year-wise details of production of Honey in India for three years 2015-16, 2016-17 & 2017-18

Production of Honey in Metric Tonnes S. 2015-16 2016-17 2017-18 (Estimates) **States** No. Andhra Pradesh & Telengana Assam Bihar Chhattisgarh Gujarat Haryana Himachal Pradesh J&K Jharkhand Kerala Karnataka Madhya Pradesh Maharashtra Meghalaya **Mizoram** Nagaland Orissa Punjab Rajasthan Sikkim Tamil Nadu Uttar Pradesh Uttarakhand West Bengal Others Total

Annexure- II

National Bee Board, DAC&FW,Government of India

Parliament Question (LS) No. 207 on "Honey Production" due for answer on 02.01.2018

State-wise production of Bees Wax for three years (2015-16, 2016-17 & 2017-18-Estimates)

	Production of Bees Wax in Metric Tonnes				
S. N.	States / Years	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (Estimates)	
		Wax Prodn.	Wax Prodn.	Wax Prodn.	
1	Andhra Pradesh & Telengana	30	35	50	
2	Assam	5	7	8	
3	Bihar	135	145	160	
4	Chhattisgarh	12	15	20	
5	Gujarat	5	6	10	
6	Haryana	75	80	90	
7	Himachal Pradesh	85	90	100	
8	J&K	30	40	45	
9	Jharkhand	22	25	30	
10	Kerala	20	25	30	
11	Karnataka	36	40	45	
12	Madhya Pradesh	55	60	70	
13	Maharashtra	25	35	45	
14	Meghalaya	5	5	5	
15	Mizoram	2	2	3	
16	Nagaland	5	5	6	
17	Orissa	22	25	30	
18	Punjab	225	250	280	
19	Rajasthan	45	50	60	
20	Sikkim	5	5	8	
21	Tamil Nadu	25	35	45	
22	Uttar Pradesh	285	300	350	
23	Uttarakhand	35	40	50	
24	West Bengal	280	300	340	
25	Others	26	30	40	
26	Total	1495	1650	1920	

Annexure-III

Parliament Question (LS) No. 207 on "Honey Production" due for answer on 02.01.2018

National Bee Board, DAC&FW, Government of India

State-wise and Year- wise details of production of Bee Pollen in India for last 3 years 2015-16, 2016-17 & 2017-18

	Production of Bee Pollen in Metric Tonnes				
S.N.	States	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (Estimates)	
1	Andhra	1.00	2.00	3.00	
	Pradesh &				
	Telengana				
2	Bihar	1.00	1.00	2.00	
3	Haryana	5.00	10.00	15.00	
4	Punjab	2.00	5.00	10.00	
5	Rajasthan	8.00	12.00	20.00	
6	Uttar Pradesh	8.00	10.00	15.00	
7	Others	5.00	10.00	15.00	
8	Total	30.00	50.00	80.00	

Annexure-IV

National Bee Board, DAC&FW, Government of India

Parliament Question (LS) No. 207 on "Honey Production" due for answer on 02.01.2018

Details of Export of Honey & other Beekeeping related products viz. Beewax during last three years

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S.no.	HSCode	Commodity	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 upto September, 2017
1	4090000	Natural Honey	38177.04	45055.5	27882.00
2	152190	Bees Wax W/N Coloured	173.02	277.43	138.29

Deta	ails of Import	of Honey & other I during la	Beekeeping re ast three years	-	ts viz. Beewax
				Quantity	y in Metric tonnes
S.no.	HSCode	Commodity	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 upto september , 2017
1	4090000	Natural Honey	423.08	161.7	158.15
2	152190	Bees Wax W/N Coloured	25.47	88.7	10.33

Annexure-V

Parliament Question (LS) No. 207 on "Honey Production" due for answer on 02.01.2018

National Bee Board, DAC&FW, Government of India

Year-wise details of Funds spent/ Assistance provided for development of Beekeeping in the country under MIDH during the three years (2015-16 to 2017-18, upto December, 2017)

(Rs. in Lakhs)

S. N.	Years	Funds spent/ Assistance Provided
1	2015-16	2323.47
2	2016-17	2411.02
3	2017-18	1053.72
4	Total	5788.21
