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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5905**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL, 2018

**PROMOTION OF HORTICULTURE**

5905. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented a number of schemes to promote horticulture across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether projects have been sanctioned thereunder in Maharashtra also; and
- (c) if so, the details of the amount of funds allocated to Maharashtra during the last three years?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a): Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), a centrally sponsored scheme is implemented for the holistic development of horticulture sector in the country covering fruits, vegetables, root and tuber crops, mushrooms, spices, flowers, aromatic plants, coconut, cashew, cocoa and bamboo through various interventions.

Under MIDH, for promotion of horticulture throughout the country, financial & technical assistance is provided to States/UTs for following major interventions/activities:

- Setting up of nurseries, tissue culture units for production of quality seed and planting material.
- Area expansion i.e. Establishment of new orchards and gardens for fruits, vegetables, and flowers.
- Rejuvenation of unproductive, old, and senile orchards.
- Protected cultivation, i.e. poly-house, green-house, etc, to improve the productivity & grow off season high value vegetables and flowers.
- Organic farming and certification.
- Creation of water resources structures and watershed management.
- Bee-keeping for pollination.
- Horticulture Mechanization.
- Creation of Post Harvest Management and Marketing infrastructure.

Apart from the above, activities for development of horticulture can be carried out under other Government schemes like Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), [Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana \(PKVY\)](#) etc.

(b) & (c): Projects have been sanctioned in various States including Maharashtra. Details of the amount of funds allocated to Maharashtra during the last three years is given below:

S. No.	Year	Fund Allocated (Rs. in Lakhs)		
		Central Share	State Share	Total
1.	2015-16	10250.00	6833.00	17083.00
2.	2016-17	8897.00	5932.00	14829.00
3.	2017-18	10897.00	7264.66	18161.66

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