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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3309
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7TH AUGUST, 2018

POLY HOUSES

3309. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any comprehensive plan to launch schemes to make the poly-houses for agricultural activities popular especially amongst small farmers to uplift their economic condition and to reduce dependence on non-agricultural professions forcing them to migrate to cities and towns from their respective villages;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to provide financial assistance to small farmers for raising poly-houses on their own land which involves fairly substantial expenditure and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to make available technological skills to the farmers desirous of undertaking agricultural activities using poly-houses and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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

(a) to (c): 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, assistance is provided for protected cultivation through Green House structures/poly houses. For Fan & Pad and Naturally ventilated system Green House (Tubular structure), assistance is provided @ 50% of cost for a maximum area of 4000 sq. mtrs. per beneficiary. For wooden and bamboo structure green house, assistance is provided @50% of cost limited to 20 units per beneficiary and each unit not exceeding 200 sq. m. Assistance for protected cultivation is also being provided under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) and National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA).

(d): Under the Human Resource Development (HRD) programme of MIDH, training of farmers, entrepreneurs, field level workers and officials is envisaged, including for poly-houses. Further, 22 Precision Farming Development Centres (PFDCs) have been established in the country to standardize precision farming, promote use of various plasticulture technologies and to provide training & awareness programmes. Farmers are also provided technical literature and information about financial assistance under the scheme in local languages.
