

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3282**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY, 2019

**PROMOTION OF HORTICULTURE**

3282. SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

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

- (a) whether the Government has identified the areas to promote horticulture in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has provided financial and other aid for providing subsidy to the farmers for the use of sprinkler for irrigation, providing marketing facilities, setting up of cold storage and using latest research work in horticulture; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the details of funds allocated during each of the last three years and the current year?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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

(a) & (b): Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), a centrally sponsored scheme is implemented for the holistic development of horticulture sector in the country. Details of activities/areas to promote horticulture in the country under MIDH are as follows:

- 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 along with drip irrigation system.
- 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.

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- Horticulture Mechanization.
- Setting up of Cold Storage & Creation of Post Harvest Management and Marketing infrastructure.

(c) & (d): Central Government provides financial assistance to farmers through State Governments in the form of subsidy for horticulture activities including use of drip irrigation, creation of marketing infrastructures, setting up of cold storage and using research work in horticulture.

Details of funds allocated under MIDH during each of the last three years and the current year is as under:

Rs. in crore

<b>Year</b>	<b>BE</b>	<b>RE</b>
2015-16	2000.00	1769.59
2016-17	1620.00	1660.00
2017-18	2329.13	2198.63
2018-19	2546.24	-

BE = Budget Estimates

RE = Revised Estimates

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