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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4532
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 8TH JANUARY, 2019

SPONSORING OF AGRICULTURE EXTENSION PERSONNEL

4532. SHRIMATI RITA TARAI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state whether the Ministry of HRD/ Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has any proposals for sponsoring agriculture extension personnel/farmers outside the country for exposure and capacity building, 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 GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

Yes Madam. Under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) Scheme of the Department, awareness programme, Farmers Training, Exposure Visit etc. are being provided in India and outside country for capacity building of farmers about the latest technologies used in Horticulture.

Further, Department under MIDH Scheme is implementing bilateral cooperation projects with Israel, Netherland and Germany. Under these, Centre of Excellence (CoE) have been established for development of technology, training and planting material. Under this cooperation, field officers from States are also trained on various horticulture development aspects in Israel and Netherland.

National Bamboo Mission (NBM) Scheme of the department has been launched in April, 2018. The Scheme envisages transfer of technology through Training, Front-line Demonstration, Publicity and Training of Trainers as an integral part of the NBM. Under this program, Skill development, adoption of scientific measures, training of farmers and field level workers at National and International level is provisioned. Skill India Mission's cost norms are adopted for the purpose.

Similarly, under Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Support to State Extension Programs for Extension Reforms" popularly known as ATMA Scheme, a component of Sub-Mission of Agricultural Extension (SMAE) of Green Revolution of Krishonnati Yojna has provision for sending the eligible Extension Functionaries for studying best extension practices and for undergoing trainings in premier institutions within India and abroad.
