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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2129
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14TH MARCH, 2023

PROMOTING STRAWBERRY PLANTATION

2129. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

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

- (a) the area in Satara district of Maharashtra under strawberry plantations, along with the total yield therefrom; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to promote the strawberry plantation?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): As per the estimates for the year 2021-22, the area under strawberry in Satara district of Maharashtra was 1640 Ha. with a total estimated production of 3280 MT.

(b): Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme is being implemented for holistic growth of the horticulture sector All States and UTs are covered under MIDH.

Under MIDH, assistance is also provided for area expansion of horticulture crops including strawberry @ 40 % of the maximum cost limited to maximum area of 4 ha. per beneficiary for meeting the expenditure on planting material, cost of material of drip irrigation, mulching and INM/IPM etc. In case of NE and Himalayan states, TSP areas, Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep Islands, assistance is @50% of maximum cost.

Further, strawberry is one of the 10 exotic fruits, which are globally popular and having high nutritional value, identified for special focus under MIDH to promote and scale-up the production and import substitution.
