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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4488
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH MARCH, 2023

PRODUCTION AND EXPORT OF MANGOES

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

- (a) whether there is any increase in mango production in the country during last three years;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is considering any proposal to provide assistance for the export of mangoes to foreign countries, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the production of mangoes in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) whether our country is the largest producer of mangoes in the world and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is considering to transform and modernize the agriculture sector which includes mango cultivation in various mango producing States of the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken by the Government to boost the production and export of mangoes and to prevent crop loss from pests?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a): Yes, Mango production in the country has increased from 20.32 Million Tonne in 2019-20 to 20.39 Million Tonne in 2020-21 and to 20.95 Million Tonne in 2021-22 (Third Advance Estimates)

(b): The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Ministry of Commerce and Industry provides assistance for the export of Mangoes to foreign countries through various initiatives as given under:

- Promotion of export of locally sourced GI tagged mangoes and indigenous, ethnic agricultural products
- Organisation of mango promotion programmes abroad
- Collaboration with Missions/Embassies to tap the opportunities in the importing country's requirements arising out of the COVID pandemic in market by conducting, Virtual Trade Fairs (VTF), Virtual Buyer Meets
- Providing financial assistance to its member exporters under its Market Development Scheme for using international standards of packaging
- Developing packaging standards and specifications for potential fruits and vegetables
- Launching a comprehensive pack-house recognition scheme for export of mangoes with the objective to improve the quality of the produce
- Synergising with line Ministries for cluster development
- Constitution of Export Promotion Forums for Mango for making a strategy for promoting export

(c): The production of Mango in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal for the years 2018-19 to 2021-22 are given below:

(Production in '000 MT)		
Year	Uttar Pradesh	West Bengal
2018-19	4578.82	920.33
2019-20	4734.50	825.83
2020-21	4806.65	886.17
2021-22 (3rd Adv.Est.)	4662.45	944.12

(d): Yes, According to Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), India is the largest producer of Mangoes, guavas and mangosteens in the world. The world production of Mangoes, guavas and mangosteens in the year 2020-21 was 57 million tonnes, while India alone produced 25 million tonnes (43.9% of the world production).

(e) & (f): Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of DA&FW, is being implemented for holistic growth of the horticulture sector in the Country.

Under MIDH, assistance is provided for activities related to production and productivity improvement of horticulture crops including mango through various interventions. Assistance is also provided for activities such as production of planting material, vegetable seed production, coverage of area with improved cultivars, rejuvenation of senile orchards, protected cultivation, creation of water resources, adoption of Integrated Pest Management (IPM), Integrated Nutrient Management (INM), organic farming, including insitu generation of organic inputs are taken up for development of fruits and vegetables. Capacity buildings

of farmers and technicians are also provided for adopting improved technologies. Scheme also envisages creation of for post harvest management (PHM) and marketing for better price realization of produce.

Under MIDH, assistance is provided for area expansion of horticulture crops including mango @ 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 3 instalments of 60:20:20 subject to survival rate of 75% in 2nd year and 90% in 3rd year. In case of NE and Himalayan states, TSP areas, Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep Islands, assistance is @50% of maximum cost.

ICAR-Central Institute for Subtropical Horticulture, Lucknow is constantly working to transform and modernize the Mango production in subtropical region of the country and developing new mango varieties for climate resilience. It has released two coloured varieties of mango viz, CISH Arunika and CISH Ambika, popularized the adoption of good agricultural practices, standardized rejuvenation technology to improve the productivity of old and senile mango orchards and developed IPM schedules for pest management. The Institute provides training programme on improved production practices, crop advisories based on weather parameters. The Institute has developed mango harvester to reduce the drudgery as well as to minimize the harvesting losses and evaluating and developing package of practices for natural farming practices in mango. It is currently working on developing and standardizing sea export protocol.

The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), provides financial assistance under the Agriculture and Processed Foods Export Promotion Scheme for Infrastructure Development, Quality Development and Market Promotion. Besides, APEDA takes other initiatives to boost exports such as development of pre and post harvest manuals for exports of mangoes, organising sensitisation/ capacity building/ training programmes, implementation of e-governance system for facilitating exports and strengthening backward linkage through *Hortinet* and *Mangonet*.
