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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.157**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY, 2021

**ACTION PLAN FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY**

157. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any action plan to increase agricultural productivity in NorthEastern States including Assam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any responsibility in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री ( SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d): Agriculture being a State subject, the State Governments undertake implementation of programs/schemes for the development of the sector. Government of India supplements the efforts of the State Governments through various schemes/ programs. These schemes/ programs of the Government of India are meant for the welfare of farmers by increasing production, remunerative returns and income support to farmers. The initiatives taken by the Government to increase agricultural productivity, income support and remunerative prices in the North Eastern Region (NER), including the State of Assam, are by way of implementation of Oil Palm cultivation scheme, issuance of Soil Health Card, implementation of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) and Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS) and with a view to increase coverage in NER, revision of the sharing pattern from 50:50 between Central and State Government to 90:10 w.e.f. Kharif 2020 season, extending PM-Kisan benefits, establishment of new Centres of Excellence under IIAP for promotion of fruits and vegetables in Kamrup (Assam), East Khasi Hills (Meghalaya) and Amarpur (Tripura), more focus on quality planting material including import of planting material of high value crops like Apple, Walnut, Kiwi etc, cluster based development of important horticulture crops in NER like Pine apple, Turmeric, Kiwi etc, development of Horticulture Promotion Parks in each State, establishment of nurseries for production of quality planting material, creation of water harvesting structures, promotion of organic farming/ micro irrigation/ bamboo/ honey, creation of Agriculture Marketing Infrastructure (AMI) fund and Micro Irrigation Fund (MIF), formation of FPOs, promotion of Start-ups, implementation of Krishi Udaan Scheme, operationalization of three Kisan Special Rails Connecting NER States etc.