GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2678 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10th MARCH, 2021

SPICES PARK IN KERALA

2678. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to set up spices park in the State of Kerala to tap the vast potential of spices produced in the State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposal in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

- (a) & (b): Spices Board has established eight Spices Parks in the major spice growing areas in the country including a Spices Park at Puttadi in the Idukki district of Kerala with financial assistance from the Government of India under the scheme of Assistance to States for Development of Export Infrastructure and Allied activities (ASIDE). Presently, there is no proposal to set up spices park in the State of Kerala. However, eligible entities including State Governments owned Agencies, may apply for technical assistance from Spices Board and infrastructure support under available schemes of Government of India, for this purpose.
- (c) & (d): The Government has not received any proposal in this regard.
