## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION & FARMERS WELFARE

## **LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4375 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH, 2021

## NATIONAL BEEKEEPING AND HONEY MISSION

4375. SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

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

- (a) the main objective of the National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM); and
- (b) the names of the districts in Gujarat other than Banaskantha where Banas Honey Project has been extended along with the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषिऔर किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a): Main objective of NBHM is promoting scientific beekeeping for holistic growth of beekeeping industry for income & employment generation, providing livelihood support to farm and non-farm households, to enhance agriculture/ horticulture production, developing infrastructural facilities, viz.; setting up of Integrated Beekeeping Development Centres (IBDCs), honey testing labs, bee disease diagnostic labs, nucleus stock, bee breeders, HRD/ capacity building, empowerment of women through Beekeeping, etc. under Mini Mission-I, setting up of collection, trading, branding, value addition, marketing centres, honey processing plants, storage, etc. under Mini Mission-II and R&D under Mini Mission-III.
- (b): Banas Honey Projectwas implemented by Banas Dairy, Palanpur, Gujarat with the assistance of KVIC. The project has been extended to Patan District. More than 400 farmers from Banaskantha & Patan Districts have been trained in beekeeping. These beekeepers are migrating their bee hives to Surendranagar, Jamnagar, Somnath, Veraval, etc. districts of Gujarat.

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