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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4531 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 23<sup>RD</sup> MARCH, 2021

## PRODUCTION OF PAAN METHI

4531. SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL

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

- (a) whether considering the production of Paan Methi (fenugreek), acreage for sowing and the quality of fenugreek in Nagaur, Rajasthan, the Government proposes to formulate any policy to set up processing unit for fenugreek and for procurement of fenugreek from farmers at fair price;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the time by which the said policy is likely to be formulated?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): The State Government of Rajasthan has formulated a policy named as "Rajasthan Agro-processing, Agri-business and Agri-export Promotion Policy 2019" for establishment of processing units for Horticulture crops including Fenugreek/ Paan Methi.

The Spices Board under Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India has established a Spices Park in Jodhpur which is a neighboring district of Nagaur, Rajasthan. The Spices Park has processing facilities exclusively for Seed Spices like Coriander and Fenugreek.

Further, assistance is also available for setting up of Primary/ Mobile/ Minimal processing unit under Post Harvest Management component of Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture, a centrally Sponsored Scheme, which is being implemented w.e.f. 2014-15 for holistic growth of horticulture sector in the country which includes spices also.

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