# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1445 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 07<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2021

## **INCREASING TURMERIC FARMER'S INCOME**

## 1445. SHRI ARVIND DHARMAPURI:

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

- (a) Whether the Government is taking steps to increase the income of farmers, especially turmeric producing farmers in the country;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) If not, the reasons therefor?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): Yes. Government of India implements several development programmes for horticulture crops including turmeric through State Departments under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) with an aim to improve production, productivity and quality of the produce and thus augmenting farmers' income. Major among them are establishment of new garden (area expansion), Integrated pest management (IPM)/Integrated nutrient management (INM), micro irrigation, organic farming, creation of water resources, post-harvest management, development of market yards, human resource development etc.

In addition, Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development (DASD), Calicut, under Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare implements production of nucleus seed rhizomes of high yielding varieties of turmeric, protray seedling production and distribution, technology dissemination through frontline demonstration of organic farming in turmeric, seminars/workshops and farmers' training programmes through various State Agricultural Universities (SAU) and Indian Council of Agricultural Research institutes located in the major turmeric growing States.

(c): Not applicable.

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