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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1458
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7TH DECEMBER, 2021

HORTICULTURE CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

1458. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

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

- (a) the details of Horticulture Cluster Development Programme implemented by the National Horticulture Board;
- (b) the details of clusters selected for the project and for the pilot phase of the project;
- (c) whether the Government has received any request from the State of Kerala for inclusion of clusters in the pilot phase; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the decisions taken?

ANSWER

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (MoA&FW) has decided for development of horticulture clusters of selected high value horticulture crops. A total no. of 53 horticulture clusters have been identified by Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (DA&FW), out of which 12 clusters have been selected for Pilot launch of Horticulture Cluster Development Programme (CDP) through National Horticulture Board. The programme focuses on holistic development of the clusters, including addressing concerns of the entire horticulture value chain, viz., pre-production, production, post-harvest management & value addition to logistics, marketing, and branding. Details of 12 clusters selected for Pilot launch are at **Annexure**.

(c) & (d): MoA&FW has received a request from the State of Kerala for inclusion of Banana, Pineapple, Black Pepper and Cardamom clusters under Horticulture Cluster Development Programme. Since the implementation of CDP has been initiated on pilot basis only, it has been decided not to include more clusters at this stage.

Annexure

List of selected 12 clusters under pilot phase of Cluster Development Programme

S. No.	Crop	Identified cluster	State
1	Apple	1. Shopian	Jammu & Kashmir
		2. Kinnaur	Himachal Pradesh
2	Mango	1. Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
		2. Kutch	Gujarat
		3. Mahbubnagar	Telangana
3	Banana	1. Anantapur	Andhra Pradesh
		2. Theni	Tamil Nadu
4	Grapes	1. Nashik	Maharashtra
5	Pineapple	1. Sepahijala	Tripura
6	Pomegranate	1. Solapur	Maharashtra
		2. Chitradurga	Karnataka
7	Turmeric	1. West Jaintia Hills	Meghalaya
