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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1478
TO BE ANSWERED ON 7th December, 2021

“SUBSIDIES FOR HORTICULTURE”

1478. DR. MOHAMMAD JAWED:

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

- (a) the schemes implemented and subsidies provided in the last five years to promote horticulture in Bihar including Kishanganj and Purnia under National Horticulture Board;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposals from the State Government to promote Horticulture in Kishanganj and Purnia districts; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a)& (b) : National Horticulture Board is implementing following schemes-

I. Development of Commercial Horticulture through Production and Post Harvest Management of Horticulture Crops— Under this scheme, Credit linked back-ended subsidy @ 35% to 50% of project cost is provided for setting up units relating to horticulture sector such as production related projects, Post Harvest Management viz. Pack House, Ripening Chamber, Refrigerator, Retail Outlets, Pre-cooling units, Primary processing etc.

II. Capital Investment Subsidy for Construction/Expansion/Modernization of Cold Storages and Storages for Horticulture Products—Under this scheme, credit linked back-ended subsidy @35% of the capital cost of the project in general areas and @50% in case of North East, Hilly States & Scheduled areas for Cold storage capacity above 5000 MT and up to 10000 MT is sanctioned for construction/ expansion/ modernization of cold storage and Controlled Atmosphere (CA) store. In case of NE Region, the capacity above 1000 MT is also eligible.

III. Technology Development and Transfer for promotion of Horticulture-Under this components, the Board aims to acquire technologies either nationally or globally that have been developed in the area of horticulture or which can be commercialized to put for farmers/industry benefit. This also includes assistance for meeting cost of Import of best quality planting material of latest varieties of horticultural crops.

IV. Market Information Scheme for horticulture Crops- Under the scheme, the focus of the Board is on to generate information on wholesale prices, arrivals and trends in various markets of the country for important fruits, vegetables & flowers etc.

V. Horticulture Promotion Services / Expert Services-Under this component, specialized studies and surveys are carried and study / survey reports are brought out for use by targeted beneficiaries. In addition, technical laboratories are set up and technical services including advisory and consultancy services are also provided.

The details of sanctioned proposals under the Schemes I &II having component of subsidiesin the Bihar during last five years i.e. 2016-17 to 2020-21are given at **Annexure**.

(c) & (d): The schemes of National Horticulture Board are demand-driven, for which projects are submitted online by the farmers/beneficiaries. State Government does not send proposals to Central Government under NHB schemes. As such there is no proposal received from the State Government to promote Horticulture in Kishanganj and Purnia districts.

Annexure

Details of Schemes and Subsidies under National Horticulture Board in the State of Bihar

Sr No	Schemes Name	2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		Total	
		Number of project	Amount (Rs. in Lakh)	Number of project	Amount (Rs. in Lakh)	Number of project	Amount (Rs in Lakh)	Number of project	Amount (Rs in Lakh)	Number of project	Amount (Rs in Lakh)	Number of project	Amount (Rs in Lakh)
1.	Development of Commercial Horticulture through Production and Post Harvest Management of Horticulture Crops	1	17.67	<u>4</u>	47.489	<u>2</u>	24.356	0	0	0	0	7	89.515
2.	Capital Investment Subsidy for Construction/ Expansion/ Moderni- zation of Cold Storages and Storages for Horticulture Products,	0	0	0	0	<u>3</u>	526.47	0	0	0	0	3	526.47
