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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 272 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 30TH NOVEMBER, 2021

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272. SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Fiji for the development of the agricultural sector, recently in June 2021; and
- (b) if so, the details of the benefits likely to accrue to both the countries as a result of the above said MoU?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b): The benefits likely to accrue to both the countries from the MoU, are in the nature of capacity building, knowledge exchange through visits of scientists and technicians, development of agricultural infrastructure, human resources and dairy industry, promotion of joint ventures between private sectors and investment in marketing &value addition/downstream processing of agricultural commodities, etc. Such cooperation aids in development of appropriate technologies and farm practices for enhancing agriculture productivity at farmer's field and also facilitates creation of opportunities for trade in agricultural commodities through market access. India's strategic interests are also served through partnerships with other countries.
