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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3721
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 21ST DECEMBER, 2021

EXPANSION OF OIL PALM CULTIVATION

3721. SHRI ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has received any request from the State of Kerala for including all the districts in the State in the expansion of oil palm cultivation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken by the Government;
- (c) the details of annual action plan submitted by the State under National Mission on Edible Oils-Oil Palm and the status of approval of the same;
- (d) whether the Government is planning to drastically increase palm oil production in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the measures proposed for expansion of palm oil cultivation; and
- (f) the details of oil palm cultivation and palm oil production in the country presently, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a to c): Annual Action Plan of Oil Palm for the State of Kerala under National Mission on Edible Oils- Oil Palm (NMEO-OP) during 2021-22 was received and same has been approved by the Government of India with total outlay of Rs.111.00 lakhs. The State Govt has proposed for area expansion of oil palm cultivation in all districts for additional area of 6500 ha from 2022-23 to 2025-26. District wise proposed area by the State Govt. for the period 2022-23 to 2025-26 is given at **Annexure-I**.
- (d & e): The National Mission on Edible Oils - Oil Palm (NMEO-OP) has been launched with the aim to augment the availability of edible oil in the country by harnessing area expansion, increasing crude palm oil production with the aim to reduce the import burden. The salient features of NMEO-Oil palm include assistance for planting material, inputs for intercropping upto gestation period of 4 years and for maintenance, establishment of seed gardens, nurseries, micro irrigation, bore well/pumpset/water harvesting structure, vermi compost units, solar pumps, harvesting tools, custom hiring centre cum harvester Groups, farmers and officers training, and for replanting of old oil palm gardens etc. The total approved cost of the NMEO (Oil Palm) Scheme is ₹ 11,040 crore, out of which ₹ 8844 crore is Central share and ₹ 2196 crore state share.
- (f): The State-wise details of Oil Palm area covered upto March, 2021 and crude palm oil production in the Country during the year 2020-21 is given at **Annexure-II**.

Annexure-I

Referred to in reply to part (a to c) of Lok Sabha unstarred question No. 3721 due for answer on 21.12.2021 regarding 'Expansion of Oil Palm Cultivation' asked by Shri Adv. Adoor Prakash.

District wise proposed area by the State Govt. for the period 2022-23 to 2025-26

S.No.	District name	Area (in Ha)
1	Alappuzha	400
2	Ernakulam	500
3	Idukki	300
4	Kozhikkodu	400
5	Malappuram	800
6	Palakkad	800
7	Pathanamthitta	800
8	Thrissur	900
9	Kannur	100
10	Kasaragod	100
11	Kollam	500
12	Kottayam	500
13	Thiruvananthapuram	100
14	Wayanad	300
	Total	6500

Annexure-II

Referred to in reply to part (f) of Lok Sabha unstarred question No. 3721 due for answer on 21.12.2021 regarding 'Expansion of Oil Palm Cultivation' asked by Shri Adv. Adoor Prakash.

The State-wise details of Oil Palm area covered upto March, 2021 and crude palm oil production in the Country during the year 2020-21

S.No.	State	Area covered up to March 2021 (in ha)	Crude Palm Oil Production during 2020-21 (in Metric Tonns)
A	General States		
1	Andhra Pradesh	184640	240016
2	Chhattisgarh	5542	0
3	Goa	970	305
4	Gujarat	6215	0
5	Karnataka	46954	2734
6	Kerala	5888	4281
7	Odisha	23130	0
8	Tamil Nadu	32982	698
9	Telangana	21382	39347
TOTAL (A)		327702	
B	NE states		
10	Arunachal Pradesh	4246	0
11	Assam	2496	0
12	Manipur	136	0
13	Mizoram	26680	675
14	Nagaland	5172	0
15	Tripura	530	0
TOTAL (B)		39259	288056
C	Others		
16	Andaman & Nicobar	1593	0
17	Maharashtra	1474	0
TOTAL (C)		3067	0
GRAND TOTAL		370028	288056
