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

#### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 3730 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER.2021

# BEEKEEPING IN MEGHALAYA

## 3730. SHRI VINCENT H PALA:

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

- (a) whether Integrated Bee Development Centres (IBDCs) have been established in the North-Eastern Region (NER) under the National Beekeeping & Honey Mission (NBHM), if so, the details of the number of such centres, state-wise;
- (b) the number of honey testing laboratories established in Meghalaya under NBHM; and
- (c) the steps taken to promote the beekeeping industry in Meghalaya.

#### ANSWER

## MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री

## (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a, b & c): Two Integrated Beekeeping Development Centres (IBDCs) have been set up in North-Eastern Region (NER), viz.; (i) at College of Horticulture and Forestry (CHF), Pashighat, Arunachal Pradesh, and (ii) at Central Agricultural University (CAU), Imphal, Manipur by National Bee Board (NBB) under the scheme "Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), which was being implemented for promotion of beekeeping before launching of National Beekeeping and Honey Mission (NBHM).

At present, there is no honey testing lab established in Meghalaya under National Beekeeping and Honey Mission. However, trainings/awareness programmes are being conducted to promote scientific beekeeping in North East Region including Meghalaya.

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