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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2178

TO BE ANSWERED ON 15th MARCH 2022

SUPPORT FOR COCONUT FARMERS

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to launch any new scheme for supporting and helping coconut farmers especially of the State of Kerala;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to devise any special scheme for diversification of products from coconuts and to sanction funds for the same; and
- (d) if so, the details of the same?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

- (a) & (b): Government through Coconut Development Board (CDB) is already implementing following schemes under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) for supporting and helping coconut farmers in the country including Kerala:
 - i. Production and Distribution of Quality Planting Materials.
 - ii. Expansion of Area under Coconut.
- iii. Integrated Farming for productivity improvement.
- iv. Technology Demonstration/Quality Testing Lab.
- v. Marketing, Market Intelligent Services, Statistics and Strengthening of Export Promotion Council.
- vi. Information & Information Technology.
- vii. Technical Service, Project Management including Infrastructure and Administration.
- viii. Technology Mission on Coconut
- ix. Rejuvenation and Replanting
- x. Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme
- xi. KeraSuraksha Insurance Scheme

(c) & (d): Coconut Development Board (CDB) implements 'Technology Mission on Coconut' for promoting value addition and product diversification in coconut with components of development, demonstration and adoption of technologies. Besides, a scheme 'Technology Demonstration & Quality Testing laboratory' under which CDB Institute of Technology (CIT) involves in product development, quality testing and imparting trainings on various coconut based products. CDB has also developed several new products through the CIT and other reputed research Organizations.
