# UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3078 

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE $22^{\text {ND }}$ MARCH, 2022

## AREA UNDER FLORICULTURE

3078. SHRI VIVEK NARAYAN SHEJWALKAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:
(a) whether the area under cultivation in floriculture is decreasing every year;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) the schemes formulated by the Government to promote floriculture in Madhya Pradesh; and
(d) the steps taken by the Government to provide better marketing facility and also to promote floriculture farmers?

## ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)
( $a \& b$ ): The area under cultivation in floriculture is not decreasing every year. The details of area during last 03 years are given below :-

| Year | Area in ‘000 Ha |
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| 2018-19 | 303.21 |
| $2019-20$ | 323.33 |
| 2020-21 <br> (3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ Advance estimate) | 329.00 |

(c) Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, is being implemented for holistic growth of the horticulture sector including flowers. All states (including Madhya Pradesh) and UTs are covered under MIDH scheme. Further, area expansion of hybrid flowers is also supported under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana for the year 2021-22 for promotion of floriculture in Madhya Pradesh State.
(d) Assistance is provided under MIDH for development of marketing infrastructure for horticulture commodities, strengthen existing horticulture markets including wholesale and rural markets, focus on promotion of grading, standardization and quality certification of horticulture produce to enable farmers to realize better price of their produce and create general awareness among farmers, consumers, entrepreneurs and market related agricultural practices.

