GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2774 (H) TO BE ANSWERED ON 3rd AUGUST, 2022

APEDA

2774(H). SHRI NABA KUMAR SARANIA:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether special attention has been given towards North Eastern Region under Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority(APEDA); and
- (b) if so, the details in this regard?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती अनुप्रिया पटेल)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) has made special efforts to promote exports of agriculture products from the North-Eastern Region (NER). APEDA provides assistance to exporters under various components of its export assistance scheme viz. Development of Export Infrastructure, Quality Development and Market Development. The exporters from NER are entitled to higher levels of assistance i.e. up to 75% (compared to 50% for exporters from other regions) for various activities/ sub-components under the scheme. APEDA has also organized several sensitization meetings/ programs in the NER, in association with State Departments, State Agriculture Universities and Krishi Vikash Kendras for identification of progressive farmers' groups and strengthening the export linkage for Farmer-Producer Organisations (FPOs)/ Farmer Producer Companies (FPCs). A number of International Buyer-Seller Meets have also been organized for the exporters of NER.
