

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1252
ANSWERED ON 03/12/2024

ESTABLISHMENT OF SPICE HUBS AND MARKETS

1252. SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

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

- (a) the details of steps taken by the Government to promote the establishment of Spice Hubs and Spice Markets in the Jhalawar-Baran region of Rajasthan, which is known for its growing agro-based production of key spices like garlic, coriander, fenugreek, nigella seeds, and chillies;
- (b) whether the Government provide details of any ongoing or proposed projects aimed at developing Spice Hubs for the processing, grading, grinding, and packaging of spices and the extent to which projects will enhance the value chain and market access for local farmers;
- (c) the details of the Government's strategy for creating structured Spice Markets within the Jhalawar-Baran region and the manner in which markets serve as platforms for farmers to sell their produce directly, ensuring better pricing and reduced market exploitation by intermediaries; and
- (d) the details of expected impact of these initiatives on the local economy, including job creation, value addition and the promotion of sustainable agricultural practices in the region?

ANSWER

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THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (d) The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has informed that it does not have any proposal for developing Spice Hubs. Spices Board has also informed that it does not have a Spice Park in the Jhalawar Baran region.
