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

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 116

TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH FEBRUARY, 2025

BAMBOO CULTIVATION

*116. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

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

- (a) whether there is a great potential for bamboo cultivation in Shahjahanpur Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh through which Ganga, Bahgul, Khannaut, Garra, Ramganga and Deoha rivers pass and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take any steps to promote bamboo cultivation in the said Constituency and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)

(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT MADE IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 116 REGARDING BAMBOO CULTIVATION RAISED BY SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR, MP DUE FOR REPLY ON 11TH FEBRUARY, 2025

(a) & (b): Bamboo is vitally important from ecological, commercial, and socio-economic perspectives. It holds a unique position in the plant kingdom due to its distribution, diversity, and numerous uses in the tropics and subtropics. With over 1,500 documented applications, bamboo is extensively used in paper and rayon-textile manufacturing, construction, architecture, engineering, handicrafts, food, and medicine. Environmentally, bamboo helps reduce air and water pollution, mitigate land degradation, sequester carbon, and combat climate change.

The restructured National Bamboo Mission (NBM) has been launched as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme in 2018-19. NBM provides assistance to both the Government & private sectors for the propagation, cultivation of bamboo in non-forest land and patta land of Forest Rights Act (FRA) 2006 beneficiaries, bamboo treatment, establishment of markets, incubation centres, value added product development & processing and development of tools & equipments. The funding pattern is 60:40 between Centre and State Government for all States except NE & Hilly States, where it is 90:10 and 100% in case of Union Territories/Bamboo Technology Support Groups (BTSGs) and National Level Agencies.

Major objectives of the Mission are to increase the availability of quality planting materials, area expansion of bamboo cultivation, improve post-harvest management, primary treatment and seasoning, preservation technologies, market infrastructure, product development, promote skill development and re-align efforts to reduce dependency on import of bamboo and bamboo products.

The restructured NBM is being implemented in Uttar Pradesh since 2019-20. Bareilly Bamboo cluster under NBM is Operational in Shahjahanpur District. Under the NBM, activities i.e. Nursery establishment (03 Nos), Bamboo Plantation (104 ha), Common Facility Centres (01 Nos), Bamboo Bazaar (01 No) Bamboo Treatment Plant (01 No) and Carbonization Plant (01 No) have been established in the areas surrounding Shahjahanpur Parliamentary Constituency of Uttar Pradesh State. The details of the activities undertaken in these areas are given below.

Details of the physical progress of NBM in and around Shahjahanpur Parliamentary Constituency			
Name of District	Plantation Area (In ha)	Nursery Established (In Nos)	Activities for development of Bamboo Value Chain
Shahjahanpur	31.00	01	
Bareilly	18.00	01	01Common Facility Centre (CFC), 01Bamboo Bazaar, 01 Bamboo Treatment Plant and 01 Carbonization Plant
Sitapur	24.00	01	
Pilibhit	17.00	00	
Lakhimpur Kheri	14.00	00	
Total	104	03	04
