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

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 335 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 12TH AUGUST, 2025

CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE FOR HORTICULTURE CROPS

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

- (a) the number of Centres of Excellence (CoEs) for Horticulture crops established under the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) in the country, State/UT and cropwise;
- (b) the key objectives, activities and outcomes of these Centres in terms of technology transfer, farmers trained and productivity enhancement;
- (c) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised for the establishment and operation of these CoEs during the last five years, State-wise; and
- (d) whether any CoEs have been set up/proposed to be setup/any proposals from the State of Andhra Pradesh are pending and if so, the details thereof including focus crops, current status and fund utilisation?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 335 FOR 12^{TH} AUGUST, 2025 REGARDING CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE FOR HORTICULTURE CROPS.

(a): Under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), a total of 58 Centres of Excellence have been approved across various States in the country. The statewise details of CoEs approved as on 31.07.2025 are as under:

S. No.	State	No. of CoE				
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2				
2.	Assam	1				
3.	Bihar	2				
4.	Goa	1				
5.	Gujarat	4				
6.	Haryana	6				
7.	Himachal Pradesh	1				
8.	Jammu & Kashmir (UT)	2				
9.	Karnataka	5				
10.	Kerala	1				
11.	Ladakh (UT)	1				
12.	Maharashtra	7				
13.	Madhya Pradesh	2				
14.	Meghalaya	1				
15.	Mizoram	1				
16.	Odisha	1				
17.	Punjab	6				
18.	Rajasthan	3				
19.	Tamil Nadu	2				
20.	Telangana	1				
21.	Tripura	2				
22.	Uttarakhand	1				
23.	Uttar Pradesh	4				
24.	West Bengal	1				
	Total	58				

(b): The Centres of Excellence (CoEs) in horticulture are established with the aim of serving as hubs for demonstration, training, and dissemination of the latest technologies in horticultural production by promoting capacity building, production of planting material and adoption of new technologies in horticulture sector. The primary objective of CoEs is to transfer knowledge and practical skills to farmers, entrepreneurs and extension workers through providing trainings, thereby enhancing productivity, quality, and sustainability in the horticulture sector through adoption of protected cultivation, micro-irrigation, and other modern practices. By showcasing modern innovations and providing hands-on training, CoEs play a vital role in bridging the gap between research and field-level adoption.

The outcome of these CoEs includes training of over 4.9 lakh farmers and 2,200 field officers/extension workers across States, facilitation of adoption of modern horticulture technologies at farm level, contribution towards increase in productivity and quality of targeted crops.

- (c): Under the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), funds for the establishment for various project based activities including Centres of Excellence (CoEs) are allocated to various States as per their approved Annual Action Plan (AAPs) received from the States through State Level Executive Committee (SLEC), availability of resources and requirement of States. Similarly, funds are released in instalments as per Government of India norms, subject to availability of budget, compliance with physical and financial progress, and submission of Utilisation Certificates (UCs) and physical progress reports by the States. The State-wise details of funds allocated and released during last five years are at **Annexure I.**
- (d): Under MIDH, there are two Centre of Excellence for Flowers & Vegetables and Vegetable & Spices has been established with Israel as technical partner at Kuppam, Chittoor and Gundlapalli, Palnadu District respectively. Further, there is no proposal for establishment of a Centre of Excellence from Andhra Pradesh pending with this Department.

Annexure – I State-wise details of funds Allocation and Releases under MIDH (NHM & HMNEH) during last five years

(Rs. in crore)

Ci	C4-4-	0000 04			2022-23 2023-24				(NS. III CIOIE)		
SI.	State	2020-21		2021-22				2023-24		2024-25	
No.	Implementing Agency	Allocation (GOI)	Releases (Gol)								
1	Andhra Pradesh	120.00	95.00	108.00	50.00	100.00	50.00	63.90	24.00	65.00	51.13
2	Arunachal Pradesh	22.00	8.00	17.60	4.40	18.24	9.00	37.30	37.30	30.00	30.00
3	Assam	60.00	45.00	54.00	27.00	54.00	27.00	67.00	30.74	93.92	69.46
4	Bihar	25.00	15.87	20.00	9.60	20.00	15.00	15.00	14.06	40.00	40.00
5	Chhattisgarh	110.00	85.00	88.00	63.00	80.00	60.00	60.00	46.56	100.00	100.00
6	Goa	3.00	0.00	2.40	0.60	2.40	0.60	2.30	0.58	4.00	3.25
7	Gujarat	110.00	30.00	88.00	87.18	82.00	20.50	95.00	95.00	70.00	35.00
8	Haryana	120.00	89.32	96.00	46.00	80.00	32.40	76.80	38.40	55.00	27.50
9	Himachal Pradesh	55.00	20.00	44.00	11.00	35.00	17.50	16.00	7.95	30.00	12.75
10	Jammu & Kashmir	100.00	72.18	35.00	67.75	25.00	34.25	67.00	50.25	90.99	90.99
11	Jharkhand	30.00	10.00	21.00	0.00	21.00	0.00	10.00	1.86	30.00	12.88
12	Karnataka	130.00	113.66	117.00	54.00	108.00	78.83	91.93	74.95	117.00	117.00
13	Kerala	40.00	10.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	21.00	30.38	13.19	40.00	22.25
14	Madhya Pradesh	65.00	27.00	52.00	0.00	45.00	22.00	30.00	17.35	60.00	59.96
15	Maharashtra	130.00	63.50	91.00	18.63	84.00	63.00	81.64	61.23	80.00	80.00
16	Manipur	26.00	25.30	25.60	10.94	26.00	13.00	15.80	7.90	30.00	22.50
17	Meghalaya	25.00	7.25	18.70	8.60	20.00	7.84	24.50	18.38	25.00	15.62
18	Mizoram	40.00	40.00	32.00	6.75	32.00	15.99	39.50	29.63	53.16	18.75
19	Nagaland	26.00	26.00	29.40	11.70	30.00	15.00	36.00	31.74	48.85	48.85
20	Orissa	67.00	11.00	46.90	11.00	41.00	20.50	55.13	33.68	45.00	15.30
21	Punjab	47.00	22.50	32.90	8.22	31.10	15.55	29.86	22.40	40.00	25.00
22	Rajasthan	60.00	30.00	42.00	10.00	39.00	19.50	28.44	18.72	60.00	55.63
23	Sikkim	25.00	19.85	22.50	10.93	22.50	16.87	32.65	29.06	46.06	42.05
24	Tamil Nadu	115.00	114.73	103.50	75.00	102.50	102.40	120.00	120.00	80.00	80.00
25	Telangana	28.00	16.15	19.60	0.00	19.00	4.74	9.44	4.36	29.00	29.00
26	Tripura	26.00	10.00	20.20	9.00	21.00	14.77	19.43	18.94	30.00	18.75
27	Uttar Pradesh	80.00	64.16	64.00	32.00	60.00	44.64	68.50	68.50	80.00	70.00
28	Uttarakhand	55.00	45.00	44.00	22.00	35.00	34.25	35.50	35.50	30.00	18.75
29	West Bengal	34.00	10.00	23.80	0.00	23.00	17.25	12.00	11.00	40.00	15.40
30	A & N Islands	3.00	0.30	2.10	0.53	2.10	0.53	3.00	0.75	3.00	0.75
31	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.50	0.00	0.35	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
33	Daman & Diu	1.00	0.00	0.80	0.00						
34	Delhi	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.50	0.00
35	Lakshadweep	0.50	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.40	0.00
36	Puducherry	3.00	1.40	2.10	0.00	1.50	0.70	2.00	1.00	1.25	0.94
37	Ladakh	20.00	15.00	16.00	25.82	19.00	26.25	19.00	9.50	25.00	17.13
	Total	1802.00	1143.17	1408.85	709.65	1309.24	820.86	1296.80	974.46	1574.13	1246.59
