

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3487  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2016

CRISIS IN PLANTATION SECTOR

**3487. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study/seminar on the crisis in the plantation sector in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the National Research Programme on Plantation Development is getting involved in the recent crisis in this sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

**(a)& (b):** No Madam.

(c) & (d) : National Research Programme on Plantation Development (NRPPD), a special purpose research cum training programme at Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram, an independent institution, organized a National consultation with stakeholders of tea, coffee, natural rubber and spices sectors on 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2016. Based on the consultation held, NRPPD has outlined short and long term measures for the plantation sector regarding the role of commodity boards, research & development and extension, financing, plantation crop insurance etc.

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