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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1416
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th July, 2026

Financial Assistance under MIDH

1416: SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY:
SHRI PUTTA MAHESH KUMAR:

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

(a) whether the Government has undertaken any assessment regarding the adequacy of financial assistance/subsidy provided under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) and other horticulture development schemes for interventions such as protected cultivation, micro-irrigation, mulching and other horticulture development technologies to promote their adoption by farmers;
(b) if so, the details and the key findings thereof;
(c) whether the Government has received any representations or requests for enhancement or rationalisation of such financial assistance, particularly for small and marginal farmers; and
(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) & (b): Yes. The Government has reviewed the adequacy of financial assistance provided under the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) for various interventions aimed at promoting the adoption of modern horticulture technologies by farmers. The review indicated that the cost norms for various components, including protected cultivation, micro-irrigation, mulching and other horticulture development technologies, required revision in view of the escalation in the cost of inputs and materials over time.

(c) & (d): The Government has received representations and requests from States and other stakeholders for enhancement and rationalisation of financial assistance under MIDH, including for the benefit of small and marginal farmers. Based on these requests and considering the increase in the cost of various inputs and materials used in the horticulture sector, the Operational Guidelines of the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) were revised in 2025. Under the revised guidelines, the cost norms for various interventions have been enhanced and provisions have been made for supporting the latest technologies in the horticulture sector. Detailed MIDH Operational Guidelines alongwith revised cost norms are available on MIDH web portal i.e. www.midh.gov.in

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