

- Directorate of F & VP for information, training, education and quality system for development of F & VP
3. Scheme for participation in National and international exhibition
  4. Scheme for promoting studies in food processing.
  5. Scheme for performance awards in Food Processing Industries.

#### **Consumption of Pulses**

\*524. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH  
SHAKYA:  
SHRI NITISH KUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated per capita consumption of pulses in the country at present;

(b) whether this consumption is in accordance with the recommendation made by the World Health Organisation and the Food and Agricultural Organisation;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to boost the production for making available the requisite quantity of pulses to masses?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) The per capita net availability of pulses in India has been provisionally estimated as 40 gms. and 33 gms. in 1991 and 1992 respectively.

(b) and (c). There is no recommendation made by the World Health Organisation and Food and Agriculture Organisation in the intake of pulses. The recommendations in dietary intakes including pulses have been made by the Expert group of the Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi in 1984 for Indians. The recommendation for pulses is 40 gms per consumption unit per

day.

(d) The Government is implementing National pulses Development Project (NPDP) and Special Foodgrains Production Programme-Pulses (SFPP-Pulses) for boosting the production of pulses in the country.

#### **Subsidy to Horticultural Products**

\*525. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL  
KATHERIA:  
SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to give subsidy in air freight to the horticultural and flower products with a view to encourage their export.

(b) if so, the extent to which the subsidy is proposed to be given; and

(c) the date from which it is proposed to be enforced?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) No, Sir,

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

#### **Alphanso Mangoes**

\*526. SHRI MAHENDRA KUMAR SINGH  
THAKUR:  
SHRI SUDHIR SAWANT:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the production of Alphanso Mangoes at present, region-wise;

(b) whether the Government have formulated a special scheme for setting up of orchards of Alphanso Mangoes to boost their export;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and