GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3158 ANSWERED ON:15.03.2000 FRUITS AND VEGETABLES PARKS C. KRISHNAN

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to set up fruits and vegetables parks with a view to encouraging the growth of fruits and vegetables on the lines of science and software park;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and location-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Government of India in the Department of Food ProcessingIndustries is operating a scheme for establishment of Food Processing Industrial/FoodParks. The scheme envisages to establish Food Processing Industrial Estates/Parks byproviding assistance for common facilities such as analytical and quality control, cold storage/modified atmosphere cold storage, warehousing facilities and supplementary pollution control facilities etc. Public Sector Undertakings/Joint/Assisted/PrivateSector/Non Governmental Organisations/Cooperatives can get assistance for creating such facility. The scheme will encourage growth of fruits and vegetables.

So far three food parks have been provided assistance. Out of these, two are in the State of West Bengal and one in Kerala.