

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PROMOTION OF CONTRACT FARMING
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India(ASSOCHAM) has suggested for promotion of contract farming training on pre-harvest and post-harvest management;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to provide required physical and marketing infrastructure to the farmers?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) to (c): In the paper made available by ASSOCHAM, there is no mention of promotion of contract farming training on pre-harvest and post-harvest management. The paper only refers to `introduction of contract farming by appropriately modifying the existing land legislation` as one of the methods of involving the corporate sector in agriculture.