

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3999
ANSWERED ON:22.08.2003
PRODUCTION OF NON-MULBERRY SILK
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware of the scope to increase the production of non-mulberry silks in Orissa;
- (b) if so, the possibility explored by the Government in that regard during 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003;
- (c) whether any Central or external assistance extended to the State Government of Orissa for that purpose during any of the above three years;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL (YATNAL))

(a) to (d) Yes, Sir. There is scope for development of non-mulberry silks (tasar and eri silk) in Orissa. The details of action taken for development of non-mulberry silk in Orissa during 2000-01 to 2002-03 is given below:

- Central Silk Board (CSB) is implementing a centrally sponsored scheme namely Catalytic Development Programme (CDP) in collaboration with the States including Orissa for development of sericulture and silk industry. The scheme supports stake holders in operations ranging from food plant cultivation to marketing of products in mulberry, tasar, eri and muga silks, technology absorption, investment generation, productivity improvement and employment generation. Under the scheme a sum of Rs.106.96 lakhs has been released to State Govt. of Orissa during the period 2000-01 to 2002-03, including a sum of Rs.24.26 lakhs for non-mulberry sector. Details of Catalytic Development Programme implemented in Orissa for development of non-mulberry silks during last three years in enclosed at annexure-I.

- Central Silk Board (CSB) in collaboration with Govt. of Orissa has launched a project entitled `Conservation of Wild Modal Tasar Eco-races in Simlipal Biosphere Mayurbhanj District, Orissa` at a cost of Rs. 2.60 crore for a period of five years from 2001 to 2006. The main objective of the project is to conserve the existing Modal and Bogaei eco tasar silkworm races population in the Simlipal biosphere of Orissa State and to harvest continuous yield of cocoons from the conserved population.

- CSB has established the following units for providing support to the State Govt. regarding Research & Development, extension, training, silkworm seed and post cocoon activities.

- 1) Regional Tasar Research Station at Baripada,
- 2) Research Extension Centre at Bangriposi
- 3) Basic Seed Multiplication & Training Centres (BSMTC) at Nowrangpur, Sundergarh, Pallahara and Baripada.
- 4) Demonstration Cum Technical Service Centre (DCTSC) at Cuttack.

- An externally aided project for development of non-mulberry silk has been implemented in ten non-mulberry silk producing States including Orissa with UNDP assistance under Fibres and Handicrafts Programmes of Country Cooperation Framework-I with a total outlay of Rs.42.48 crores including Rs.1.36 crore for Orissa during the period 1999-2000 to 2002-2003.

Annexure-I

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.3999 for 22.8.2003.

Rs. in lakhs

SN CATALYTIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME YEAR PHYSICAL PROGRESS AMOUNT RELEASED BY CSB

UNIT QUANTITY

1 SUPPORT TO AGENCIES FOR THE UPGRADATION AND
POPULARISATION OF IMPROVED REELING SPINNING
DEVICES 2000-01 TRAINING TRAINING 0.08

2 CROP INSURANCE SUPPORT FOR TASAR 2000-01 LAKH DFSL 1.84 1.00

3 CROP INSURANCE SUPPORT FOR TASAR 2001-02 LAKH DFSL 2.55 1.46

4 SUPPORT FOR THE UPGRADATION OF SEED
MULTIPLICATION INFRASTRUCTURE FOR TASAR 2001-02 NO 2 2.98

5 SUPPORT FOR INSTALLATION OF QUALITY LINKED
COCOON PURCHASE SYSTEM FOR TASAR 2001-02 NOT NO 10.00
QUANTIFIABLE
(NQ)

6 ASSISTANCE TO TASAR SEED REARERS FOR
MAINTENANCE OF SYSTEMATIC TASAR PLANTATION 2002-03 HECTARES 15 0.15

7 ASSISTANCE TO TASAR COMMERCIAL REARERS FOR
THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHAWKI GARDEN 2002-03 REARERS 40 0.12

8 UPGRADATION OF TASAR SEED MULTIPLICATION
INFRASTRUCTURE 2002-03 NO 1 1.25

9 EQUIPMENT SUPPORT TO TASAR SEED REARERS 2002-03 SEED REARERS 12 0.32

10 SUPPORT TO PRIVATE TASAR GRAINEURS 2002-03 GRAINEURS 5 1.25

11 SUPPORT TO TASAR COMMERCIAL REARERS FOR
PROCURING REARING EQUIPMENTS 2002-03 REARERS 30 1.35

12 CROP INSURANCE SUPPORT FOR TASAR 2002-03 LAKH DFSL 1.66 0.93

13 SUPPORT TO AGENCIES FOR THE UPGRADATION AND
POPULARISATION OF IMPROVED REELING SPINNING
DEVICES 2002-03 REELING 114
SPINNING 57 0.68

14 AUGMENTATION OF ERI FOOD PLANTS WITH TRAINING
AND START UP TOOLS 2002-03 REARERS 10 0.19

15 ASSISTANCE TO STATES FOR STRENGTHENING ERI
FARM CUM GRAINAGES 2002-03 ERI FARM CUM 1 2.50
GRAINAGE

TOTAL 24.26