

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:242  
ANSWERED ON:09.08.2000  
PRODUCTION OF RAW CASHEWNUT/CASHEWNUT  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government have drawn up any programme to promote the cashew/raw cashew plantation for the Ninth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the production during each of the last three years, State-wise; and
- (c) the target set for the present year?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.242 TO BE ANSWERED ON AUGUST, 2000 IN THE LOK SABHA

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Government is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Integrated Development Programme of Cashew and Cocoa in India with an outlay of Rs.70.00 crores for cashew development during Ninth Plan period. The details of the programme for the Ninth Plan is given at Annexure-I. The details of production of raw cashewnuts during the last three years is given at Annexure-II.

(c): The target for production of raw cashewnut is not fixed annually. However, an annual production target of raw cashewnut of one million MT has been contemplated by the end of Ninth Plan.

**ANNEXURE-I**

**Programmes for the Development of Cashew during the 9th Five Year Plan**

S.No. Programme Target Outlay  
(in Hectares) (Rs. in lakhs)

A. PROGRAMMES FOR EXECUTION BY STATES

1. New Plantation Development and Maintenance 85400 4672.773

2. Replanting of old cashew gardens  
(a) Private holdings 8000 583.228  
(b) Corporation 7500 158.721

3. Adoption of Plant Protection Measures 82115 656.920

4. Executional Infrastructure 408.650

Total (A) 6480.292

B. PROGRAMMES MONITORED BY DIRECTORATE OF CASHEWNUT AND COCOA DEVELOPMENT (DCCD).

1. Establishment of Regional Nursery (Numbers) 103.5 162.000

2. Development of Model clonal cashew gardens (Number of plots)	1085	43.292
3. Farmers training programme (Number of farmers)	21650	48.320
4. Plant Protection Campaign (Numbers)	140	10.360
5. Publicity Measures for Cashew & Cocoa	39.750	
6. Development of infrastructure for Marketing & processing (Number of units)	10	50.000
7 Model Processing Unit for Cashew Apple (Numbers)	1	15.000
8. Executional Infrastructure to Directorate of Cashewnut & Cocoa Development	-	162.246
Total (B)	530.958	
GRAND TOTAL (A+B)	7011.260	

ANNEXURE-II

State-wise Production of raw Cashewnut

State (PRODUCTION 000 MT)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
1. Andhra Pradesh	50	80	100
2. Goa	25	20	30
3. Karnataka	35	40	60
4. Kerala	100	130	100
5. Maharashtra	60	85	125
6. Orissa	45	50	40
7 Tamil Nadu	30	35	45
8. West Bengal	6	8	8
9. Others	9	12	12
Total	360	460	520