

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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AGRICULTURAL LAND
SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a vast area of agricultural land is yet to be made cultivable in Goa;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the financial assistance provided by the Union Government for the above purpose; and
- (c) the total area of agricultural land brought under cultivation in Goa with Union Government assistance?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a)to(c) Yes, Sir. There is about 55,680 ha. of agricultural land which need to be developed for agriculture purposes in the State of Goa. Uptil now an area of about 19,138 ha. has been brought under cultivation with the financial assistance of Rs.1251 lakhs released by the Government of India under the following programmes namely

- i) package programme for Development of Cashew
- ii) Integrated Development of Tropical and Arid Zone fruits
- iii) National Watershed Development Programme for Rainfed Areas and
- iv) Western Ghat Development Programme.