## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7391 ANSWERED ON:12.05.2000 CASHEW PLANTATION IN ORISSA ANANTA NAYAK

## Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the total areas brought under cashew plantation in Orissa, as on date;
- (b) whether the Government propose to involve local people in cashew plantation; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

## **Answer**

## ${\tt MINISTER}\ {\tt OF}\ {\tt COMMERCE}\ {\tt AND}\ {\tt INDUSTRY}\ ({\tt SHRI}\ {\tt MURASOL}\ {\tt MARAN})$

- (a) The total area covered under cashew plantation in Orissa at present is 114100 hectares.
- (b) & (C) Orissa State Cashew Development Corporation is nodal agency which is implementing cashew development programmes in Orissa by selecting marginal and small scale holding beneficiaries including SC & ST farmers.