

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF ALPHANSO MANGO
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Alphanso Mango, the best variety in the world, is being produced in India;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to increase its production in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the financial assistance provided to the farmers for the purpose, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a): Alphanso is a leading variety of mango having export market which is mostly grown in Maharashtra and Karnataka.

(b) & (c): The Government is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on `Macro Management in Agriculture-Supplementation/Complementation of State Efforts through Work Plan`. Under this scheme, the State Governments have flexibility to take up programmes as per their felt needs and priorities. Development of fruits, including Alphanso Mangoes, is one of the components of this scheme under which assistance is given for increasing production of fruits in the country. An amount of Rs.2265.00 lakhs and Rs.1555.55 lakhs was released to the State Governments of Maharashtra and Karnataka respectively during the year 2004-05 under the above mentioned Macro Management scheme.