

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF BASMATI RICE .

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the farmers of the country are being encouraged to increase production of Basmati Rice in view of its increasing demand abroad; and

(b) If so, the efforts made/being made in this regard? ANSWER

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The Central Government has been implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Integrated Cereals Development Programme in rice based cropping systems areas (ICDP- Rice) under Macro Management Mode of Agriculture to increase rice production in the country including that of Basmati rice.