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CITRUS FARMING PROJECT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of citrus farming project launched in Punjab by foreign investment company in collaboration with Council of Citrus and Agri-Juicing of Punjab;
- (b) whether any feasibility study regarding its viability was conducted; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): A Citrus farming project has been launched by the State Government of Punjab solely through the Council for Citrus and Agri-Juicing in Punjab. No collaboration with any foreign investment company has been envisaged for implementing the project.

(b)&(c): A feasibility study was conducted by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development Consultancy Services (NABCONS) and a detailed project report was prepared in which Citrus farming project was declared as a technically feasible and financially viable project.